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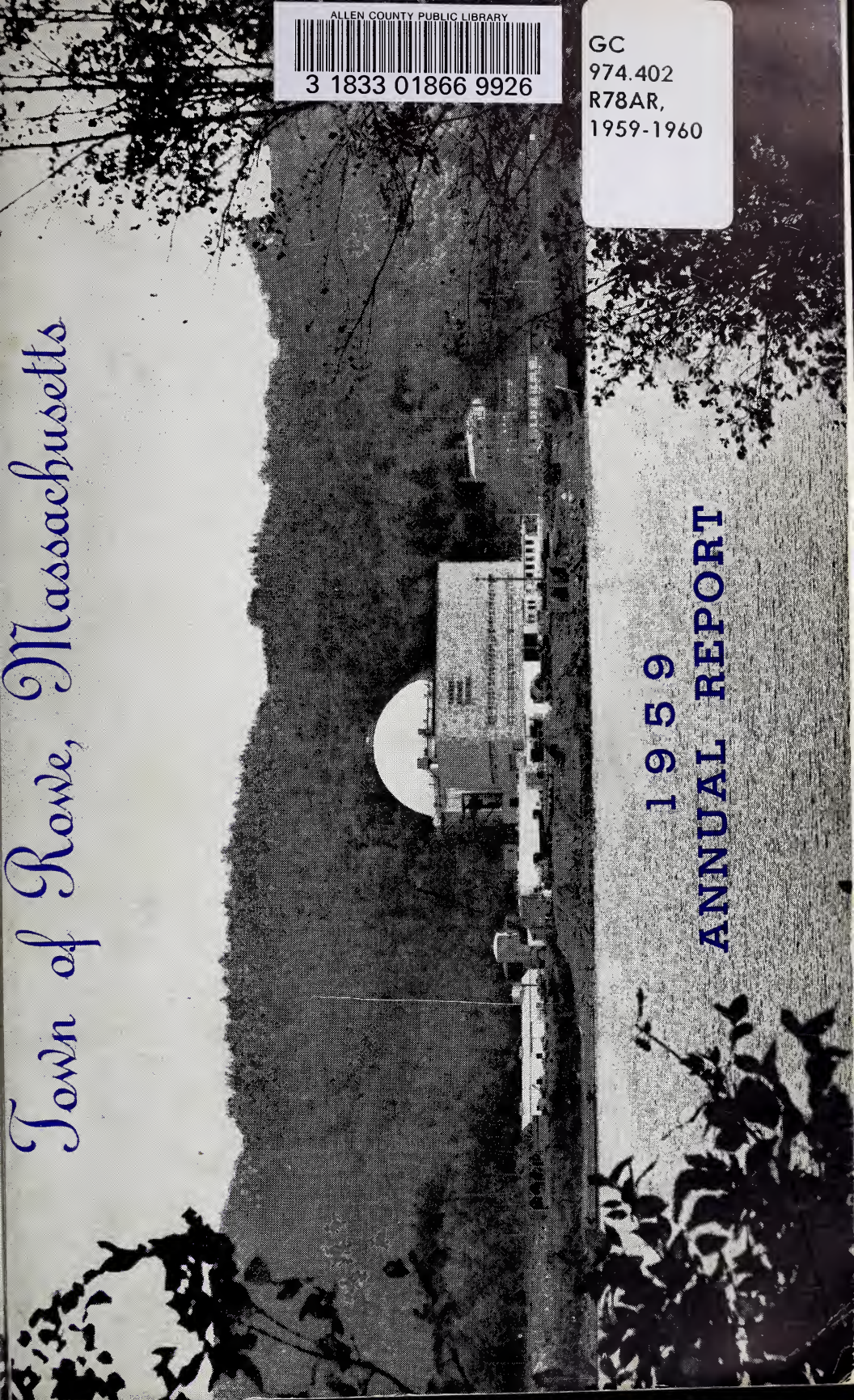
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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIFTH  
ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE  
**Town of Rowe**  
Massachusetts



FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
**December 31, 1959**

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**COVER PHOTO:** Against a background of the "Hills of Rowe" can be seen the "New Look" in electric generating stations. The Yankee Atomic Electric plant is one of the first such plants in the nation. It is rapidly nearing completion and should begin operation during the latter part of 1960.

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**THE WHITE EAGLE PRINTING CO.  
ADAMS, MASS.**

**U. S. SENATORS**

**LEVERETT SALTONSTALL**  
Dover

**JOHN F. KENNEDY**  
Boston

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**U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1**

**SILVIO O. CONTE**  
Pittsfield

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**STATE SENATOR**

**RALPH C. MAHAR, Orange**

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**REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT  
FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT 1**

**PHILLIP F. WHITMORE, Sunderland**

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**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HARRY KOCH, Shelburne**  
**FRANK H. REED, Greenfield**  
**DELBERT WITTY, Orange**



## Elected Town Officers - 1959

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### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John H. Williams, Chairman	Term expires 1961
J. Henry Stanford	Term expires 1960
Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1962

### BOARD OF HEALTH

J. Henry Stanford, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1962
John H. Williams	Term expires 1961

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Edward C. Henderson, Chairman	Term expires 1962
John H. Williams	Term expires 1961
J. Henry Stanford	Term expires 1960

### TOWN CLERK

Gerald A. Truesdell	Term expires 1960
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### TOWN TREASURER

Florence M. Bjork	Term expires 1960
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### COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Anne G. Bond	Term expires 1962
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### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Howard O. Truesdell, Chairman	Term expires 1962
John E. Bond	Term expires 1960
Herbert H. Fitzroy	Term expires 1961

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arvon G. Palmer, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Bertha E. Chapin	Term expires 1961
Betty Scrivens	Term expires 1962

### MODERATOR

Gerald A. Truesdell	Term expires 1962
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**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Maude E. Davenport, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1961
Edith M. Kloetzle	Term expires 1962

**PARK COMMISSIONERS**

Kenneth Soule, Chairman	Term expires 1961
John H. Williams	Term expires 1960
Charles D. Avery	Term expires 1962

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

John E. Bond, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Robert G. Swenson	Term expires 1960
Clifford W. Sibley	Term expires 1962

**AUDITOR**

Frances E. Pierce	Term expires 1960
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**TREE WARDEN**

Samuel Murray	Term expires 1960
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**CONSTABLE**

Samuel Murray	Term expires 1960
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**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

John H. Williams	Board of Selectmen
J. Henry Stanford	Board of Health
Edward C. Henderson	Board of Public Welfare
Arvon G. Palmer	School Committee
Howard O. Truesdell	Board of Assessors
Florence M. Bjork	Town Treasurer
Gerald A. Truesdell	Town Clerk
Myron A. Newton	Term expires 1962
John E. Bond	Term expires 1960
Lucy J. Avery	Term expires 1961

## Appointed Town Officers

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### **SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Samuel Murray

### **TOWN COUNSEL**

Atty. Donald T. Hillier

### **FIRE CHIEF**

J. Henry Stanford

### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

John H. Williams

### **POLICE OFFICERS**

Giulio C. Andognini, Jr.  
Samuel Murray

### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Efford H. Pierce	Term expires 1960
Mary E. Sibley	Term expires 1961
John E. Bond	Term expires 1962
Edith M. Kloetzle	Term expires 1963
Myron A. Newton	Term expires 1964

### **REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

J. Henry Stanford  
Nancy N. Williams

### **PUBLIC WELFARE AGENT**

Phyllis L. Heist

### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.

### **HEALTH AGENT AND SANITARIAN**

John A. Brickett



**NURSING COMMITTEE**

Frances E. Pierce, R.N.  
Alice V. Truesdell, R.N.  
Lucy J. Avery  
Dorothy N. Stevens

**LIBRARIAN**

Dorothy N. Stevens

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Howard O. Truesdell

**DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE**

Anne G. Bond

**DOG OFFICER**

Samuel Murray

**ANIMAL AND MEAT INSPECTOR**

Richard E. Shumway

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Samuel Murray

**TOWN OFFICERS' ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK**

Harriet B. Cornish (Selectmen)  
Anne G. Bond (Assessors)

**MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER**

Robert G. Swenson  
Gerald A. Truesdell  
Ellsworth E. Palmer

**FENCE VIEWERS**

Francis M. Jackman  
Newell E. Morton  
Richard E. Shumway

**FIELD DRIVERS**

Samuel Murray  
James H. Williams  
Charles D. Avery

**POUNDKEEPER**

Richard E. Shumway

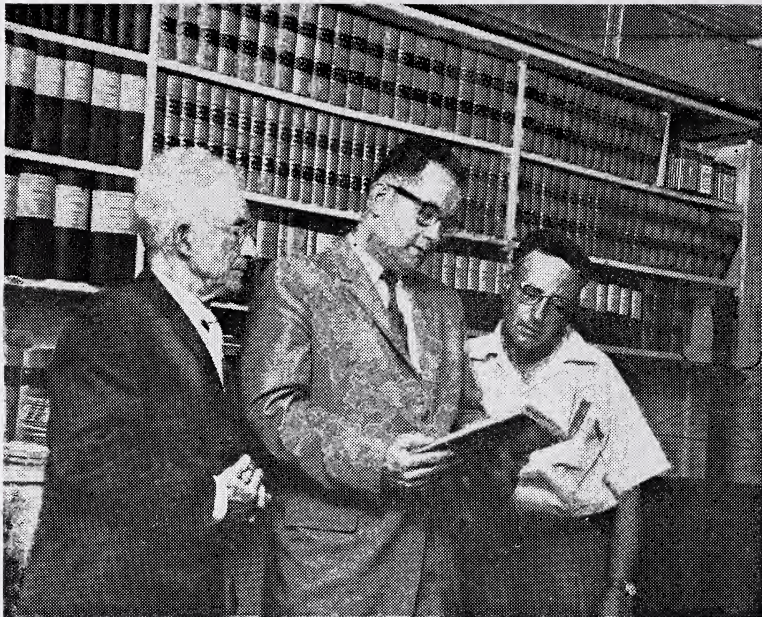
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## **Jury List - 1960**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>On List Since</b>
Edward C. Henderson	Retired	Jan. 1959
Florence M. Bjork	Town Treasurer	Jan. 1960
Robert D. Shumway	Papermaker	Jan. 1960
John E. Bond	Supervisor	Jan. 1960
Helen L. Tryon	Innkeeper	Jan. 1960
J. Henry Stanford	Carpenter	Jan. 1960

**NAMES DRAWN IN 1959**

4-14-59 Traverse Jury		
Herbert H. Fitzroy	Salesman	Jan. 1959
12-16-59 Grand Jury		
Lillias D. Murray	Housewife	Jan. 1957



#### **THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**Edward C. Henderson - John H. Williams - J. Henry Stanford**

## **Report of the Board Selectmen**

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To the townspeople of Rowe:

The Board of Selectmen can report that 1959 was a year of progress for Rowe. All departments of the town seemed to function smoothly and very few complaints were received by the Board.

The progress of the highway programs have been especially gratifying and we express our appreciation to Superintendent of Streets Samuel Murray and his men. We believe they have demonstrated a devotion to duty and willingness to provide the kind of service which is lacking in many municipal highway departments. We recommend increased appropriations on several road construction and maintenance accounts for 1960 due primarily to increased demands being



placed upon our highways. There have been many favorable comments received concerning the program to control roadside brush and weeds. We trust that this project may be continued.

We are recommending to the town that some of the older equipment of the Highway Department be replaced this year so that we may begin the "Sixties" with that Department in the best of condition. We believe that the old "Town Shed" at the rear of the town hall should be removed and that additional storage space is needed adjacent to the Highway Dept. Garage. The site of the old shed would provide the town hall with a good parking area.

The Board's other functions are covered elsewhere in this report by the various agents. In addition to the many permits and licenses issued by the Police, Fire and Health Departments, we issued eight building permits (6 dwelling, 2 garages) during 1959. We have received an application for a new street layout and are proceeding to make a layout for the consideration of a future town meeting.

There are several articles on the warrant which we consider very important. One article would direct the Selectmen to have town records microfilmed as protection against the complete loss of these valuable records in case of fire or other disaster. Another article on the warrant provides for the establishment of a "Municipal Study Committee" which should be of benefit to the Selectmen and to the town in determining future action and long range planning regarding town affairs.

As Rowe enters it's 175th year as a town we hear the economists talk of the "Golden Sixties" and the bright future. It would seem that the "Sixties" do hold promise of good fortune for Rowe and its citizens. We have already felt the impact of the Yankee Atomic Electric Company, reflected not only in the tax rate, but in the arrival of the families of the men who will operate the plant. Since the last annual meeting the number of registered voters has increased 15% and it seems reasonable to expect an additional 20% before the 1961 meeting.

The Elementary School Planning Committee will soon present plans for a new school building. There is renewed discussion of Regional High School proposals. If our popu-

lation increase continues, the town hall might need to be enlarged or replaced. Almost all of the town facilities and services will need to be expanded as our population grows.

These are the problems of the sixties which are facing many of the towns of the Commonwealth. The town of Rowe, unlike most towns, will be able to meet this challenge without undue hardship. By recognizing our resources and long-range possibilities we can ensure the bright golden future of our town.

We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of Harriet B. Cornish, Selectmen's Clerk; John A. Brickett, Health Agent; Phyllis L. Heist, Welfare Agent; Dorothy Morehouse, District Nurse, and Donald T. Hillier, Town Counsel. We also appreciate the understanding encouragement of many interested townspeople.

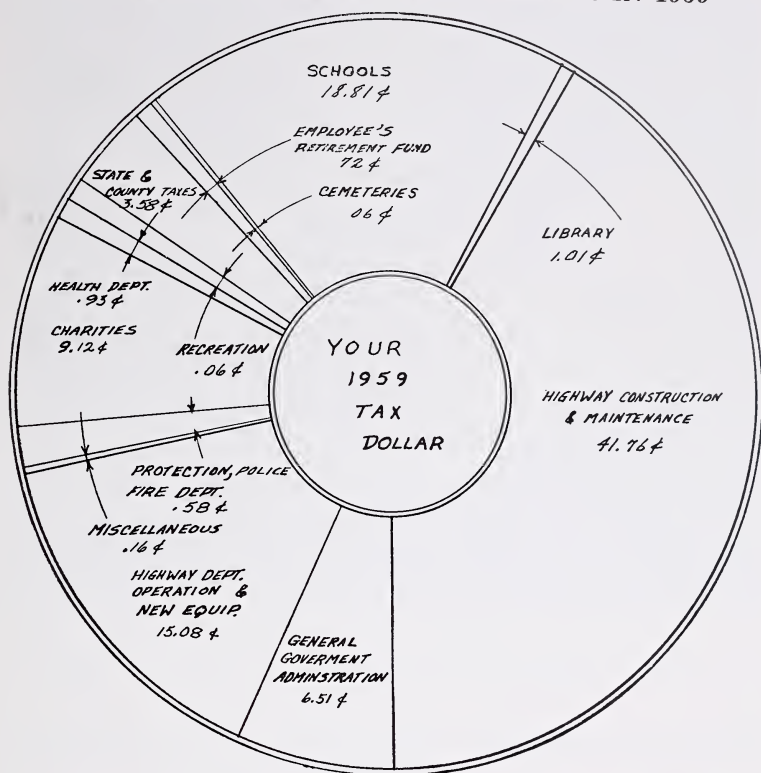
JOHN H. WILLIAMS

J. HENRY STANFORD

EDWARD C. HENDERSON

Board of Selectmen

## HOW THE TOWN DOLLAR WAS SPENT IN 1959



Department or Service	Amount Expended	Percentage of Total
General Government (Admin.)	\$ 9,643.25	6.51%
Highway Department		
Operation & New Equipment	22,337.11	15.08%
Highway Construction & Maint.	61,831.25	41.76%
Schools	27,856.95	18.81%
Health Department	1,378.95	.93%
Charities	13,497.52	9.12%
Protection, Persons & Property	2,483.18	1.68%
Library	868.19	.58%
Recreation	1,497.90	1.01%
Cemeteries	80.00	.06%
State & County Taxes	5,296.52	3.58%
Employees' Retirement Fund	1,059.69	.72%
Miscellaneous	243.71	.16%
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	\$148,074.22	100.00%



#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Maude Davenport - Edith M. Kloetzle - Edward C. Henderson

## Report of the Rowe Town Library

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The library was open to borrowers for a total of 316½ hours with a circulation of 3,539 books. Of these 1,804 were adult fiction, 501 adult non-fiction, 884 juvenile fiction and 350 juvenile non-fiction. The magazine circulation was 782 and \$7.76 was collected in overdue fines. Books purchased number 30 and 38 books were received as gifts.

Grateful acknowledgement is made for gifts of books and magazines to The American Petroleum Institute, Miss Emma Blizzard, Mr. Lawrence Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. William Cornish, Mrs. Harlan Desoe, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Essert, Mr. David Hoxie, Miss Edith Kloetzle, Mr. and Mrs. John Knox, Mrs. Walter Miller, Moody Bible Institute, Miss Susan Palmer, Mrs. Marion Rasche, Mrs. Clifford Sibley, Mrs. Grace Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stanford, Dr. Elwood Street,



United Beet Sugar Association, Mrs. Fay Woffenden, Weisenberger and Co. and Mrs. G. Alan Wyland. Thanks are expressed for the gift of a group of recordings from Dr. and Mrs. Paul Schubert and to the State Regional Library Center for their aid in securing requested books. The Unitarian Rowe Camp has extended our subscription to The American Heritage for another year, for which we are most grateful.

Special appreciation is expressed to Mrs. Percy Whiting Brown for her gift of 675 books from the library of her late husband. This fine collection is arranged in a special section of the library and will be known as the Percy Whiting Brown Memorial Collection. We are most grateful for this fine addition to the library.

A large group of townspeople participated in the Hobby and Handicrafts exhibit National Library Week and the children in the Village School again contributed posters illustrating various hobbies. An exhibit of old photographs and other historical items of interest was sponsored by the Rowe Historical Society on Old Home Day and thanks are expressed to the Yankee Atomic Electric Company for the loan of their model of the Atomic Plant for display.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY N. STEVENS

Librarian

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### BOOKS PURCHASED — 1959

#### Adult

History of Leyden	Arms
Spinster	Ashton
With All The World Away	Balmer
Celia Garth	Bristow
Command the Morning	Buck
Santa Fe Wagon Boss	Farrell
War Fish	Grider
Flaming Lance	Huffaker



The Land God Gave to Cain	Innes
Endurance	Lansing
Mr. Churchill's Secretary	Nel
Complete Works (2 volumes)	O'Henry
Field Guide to the Birds	Peterson
Complete Tales and Poems	Poe
Peace or Atomic War	Schweitzer

### Juvenile

A Book of Satellites for You	Bronley
Pets from the Pond	Buck
Millions of Years Ago	Colbert
Chanticleer and the Fox	Cooney
Head High, Ellen Brody	Friermood
Secret of the Indian Mound	Gage
Animals That Help Us	Genton
Telltime's Alphabet Book	Hall
Wild Horse Roundup	Kjelgaard
The Thing at the Foot of the Bed	Leach
Painted Pony Runs Away	McGraw
Vanishing Steamer	Reisenberg
The Witch of Blackbird Pond	Speare
The Perilous Road	Steele
Blast Off at 0300	Walters

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### LIBRARY TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Fellow Citizens:

As the librarian reports on the general functioning of the library, the town treasurer on the finances about all that is left for us is the Percy Whiting Brown Memorial set up by us and an explanation why we are requesting an increased appropriation and a special one.

On July 26 Mr. Brown's son Roger personally contacted the trustees to see if they would accept a collection of outstanding books from his late fathers collection—that his mother would like to give the library.

The trustees, selectmen and the librarian by the trustees request attended a meeting and all favored acceptance of the books as a memorial to Mr. Brown. The books appraised for more than \$1700 were received from Mrs. Brown September 2, 1959, and will soon be ready for circulation.

Due to higher cost of general operation and books we have asked for a higher appropriation and the special is for installation of water and plumbing in the building.

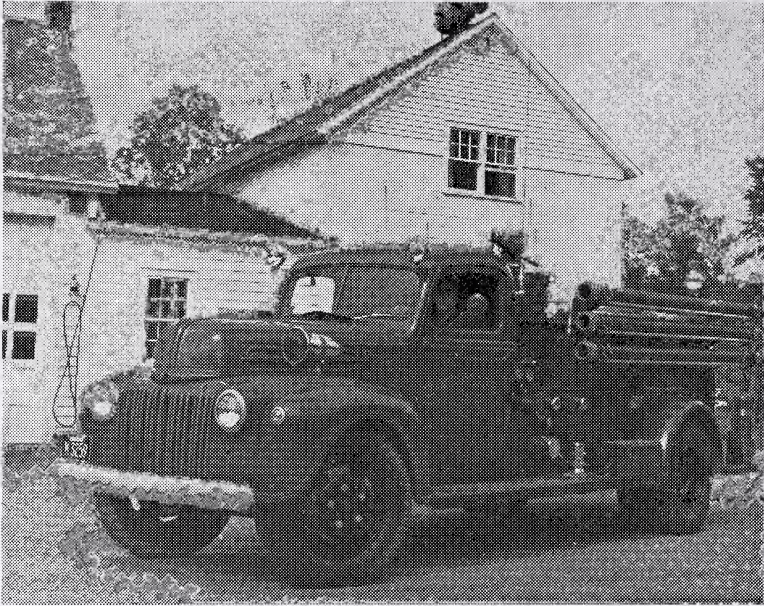
We always appreciate your cooperation.

MAUD E. DAVENPORT, Chairman

EDITH M. KLOETZLE

EDWARD C. HENDERSON

Library Trustees



## Report of the Fire Department

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The Fire Department answered nine calls during the past year—as follows: One chimney fire, two Railroad forest fires, two grass fires, two calls for oxygen and a call through the Mutual Aid for the use of the portable radios to assist in locating a lost boy in Heath.

A new motor was installed in the tank truck. We now feel that this truck is in A-1 condition.

A water-hole was put in at Francis Jackman's and the one at Walter Miller's place was repaired.

We are planning to have a fire-fighting school in the spring.

I wish to extend my thanks to the townspeople for their support, and to the men of the department, I can sincerely say, "Well done!"

Respectfully submitted,  
J. HENRY STANFORD  
Fire Chief





#### **PARK COMMISSIONERS**

**Kenneth Soule - Charles D. Avery - John H. Williams**

## **Report of the Park Department**

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To the Townspeople of Rowe:

Pelham Lake Park saw greatly increased use during 1959. Many people from neighboring towns have been enjoying our facilities in addition to greater use by the townspeople.

The matter of the Memorial Tablet to Percy Brown, donor of our Park, was referred to the Historical Society. The site has been partially prepared and it is planned to have the memorial ready for dedication on Old Home Day.

The Commissioners continued the improvements to the recreation areas. Five sturdy picnic tables were procured and the Highway Department assembled and stained them. The roadway to the town beach was completed and the parking lot was also graveled. Washed sand was added to the beach area which made a big improvement. Salt blocks were dumped into the swimming area in an attempt to com-

bat the leech problem. This proved effective for short periods but it is intended to treat the area with H.T.H. (Chlorine) next summer to determine which method will be most effective.

As in the past, swimming classes were sponsored by the Park Department and more than 30 youngsters participated.

The Commissioners voted, after much discussion at a public hearing, to retain the regulation limiting outboard motors to 10 horsepower. It was the considered opinion of the Commissioners that Pelham Lake is too small for higher horsepower. Safety for the general public prompted the decision.

Plans for 1960 are to provide a safety swimming area for small children, and also to rope off the main swimming area to keep boats out. Plans also are made to provide first-aid and life-saving equipment at the beach.

The Park Commissioners express appreciation for the helpful suggestions from many townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH SOULE

JOHN H. WILLIAMS

CHARLES D. AVERY





## Report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Agent

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To the Selectmen of Rowe:

The 15th annual report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Service District is submitted, herewith, for the information of the Towns concerned.

Requests for Service during 1959 totalled 904. Registrations for Selective Service numbered forty-one. Forty-one veterans applied for State or Veterans Administration Hospital or medical treatment. Two hundred and thirty requests were received for photostatic copies and we made one thousand two hundred and fifty-four prints. Applications for Non-service Disability pensions continue to increase as the veterans become disabled from age or infirmity. Applications were completed and copies made of vital records and evidence required by the Veterans Administration for thirty-one cases for Veterans and Widows who are eligible.

Twenty-four new applications for assistance under the provisions of Chapter 115 were received during the year. Thirty-five families received assistance during the year under this law for a total expense of \$26,419.07. We now have a total of nineteen active cases.

The total expense for administration of the District Office for the year was \$5,678.76. This amount was divided among the ten Towns, in accordance with provisions of Chapter 599, of the Acts of 1946, in proportion to their assessed valuation.

We are still fortunate in having a V. A. Contact Office at Greenfield with Mr. O'Neil in charge to advise and assist in Veterans Administration claims.

The interest and cooperation of the Town Representatives is very helpful and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
ROBERT E. SCOTT  
Director and Veterans' Agent

## Report of the Western Franklin Welfare District

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Rowe shows an increase of one case in their load for the year. The expenditures show an upward trend due to the adding of the case and a slightly higher medical.

	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Case load Jan. 1, 1959	7	0	2	1
New cases	0	0	1	0
Cases closed	0	0	0	1
Case load Jan. 1, 1960	7	0	3	0

The following is a statistical analysis of the District's activities:

Number of applications taken	12
Number of home visits made	104
Number of office calls	26
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	17
Number of days Auditor at office	2
Number of Welfare Association Meetings attended	3
Number of Welfare Conferences attended	1
Number of visits not classified as home visits	36
Number of Civilian Defense meetings attended	9

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from	
Dec. 31, 1958	\$ 1,400.28
Town Appropriations:	
Charlemont	420.00
Hawley	120.00
Heath	160.00
Monroe	140.00
Rowe	160.00
Federal Grant Administration	
OAA	2,372.23
ADC	1,027.82
DA	392.86

State Administration		
OAA	1,610.64	
ADC	685.21	
DA	261.90	
GR	95.01	
Withholding Tax		
Federal	931.20	
State	37.20	
County Retirement	322.44	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	200.40	
Phyllis L. Heist, Agent		\$ 3,750.00
Transportation		244.23
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2,700.00
Mary L. Carpenter, Treasurer		150.00
Dr. Francis Carey, Medical Consultant		50.00
Supplies and communications		451.28
Bond for Treasurer		20.00
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00
Assessed share - Franklin Co. Retire. System		326.01
Withholding - Franklin County Retirement		322.44
Federal tax		931.20
State tax		37.20
Blue Cross & Blue Shield		200.40
Credit balance carried forward		
to Jan. 1, 1960		854.43
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	\$10,337.19	\$10,337.19

Respectfully submitted,  
 PHYLLIS L. HEIST  
 Agent

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I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1959.

Respectfully,  
 MARY L. CARPENTER  
 Assistant Treasurer

## 1960 BUDGET

Salary:	
Agent	\$ 3,750.00
Clerk	2,820.00
Treasurer	150.00
Telephone	150.00
Travel	260.00
Bonding Treasurer	20.00
Postage	200.00
Supplies	60.00
Miscellaneous Charges	125.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin Co. Retirement	344.53
Medical Consultant	100.00
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Total	\$ 8,279.53

Voted at the December 1, 1959 meeting that the towns assessed share would be \$1,578. and the same percentages were to be used as in 1959.

Charlemont	42%	\$ 644.00
Hawley	12%	189.00
Heath	16%	252.00
Monroe	14%	221.00
Rowe	16%	252.00
Balance brought forward from 1959		854.43
Estimated amount to be received		
Federal		3,700.00
State		2,500.00



# Report of the Public Health Department

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## REPORT OF THE HEALTH AGENT

To: The Honorable Board of Health  
From: John A. Brickett, Agent - Sanitarian

As Agent - Sanitarian for the Board of Health of the Town of Rowe, I respectfully submit my annual report for 1959.

During 1959, one store and one eating establishment were inspected. As these establishments were in good sanitary condition no corrective measures were necessary.

One summer camp was inspected on several occasions. With minor recommendations the sanitary condition of the camp was satisfactory.

One oleomargarine, two store milk licenses, two milk dealers licenses and one camp license were issued.

Eleven permits to install and two certificates of approval were issued for the installation of individual sewage disposal systems.

Bacteriological analyses were made on seven private wells and two wells were disinfected before use.

I was available, on several occasions, as consultant to the Board of Health regarding health matters. The Board of Health was most active and interested in the health of the inhabitants of the Town.

I wish to thank the residents of the town for the fine cooperation that they extended to me.

I sincerely believe that the health and sanitary condition of the Town of Rowe will be good during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S.  
Agent - Sanitarian  
Board of Health  
Rowe, Mass.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE

"It's good to be rich in wordly wealth  
but more precious by far is the gift of Health"

The Western Franklin Public Health District of Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe offers a generalized health service to folks of all ages. The total number of visits this year was 1256.

Nursing visits are made under the family doctor's orders except for First Aid or an emergency.

The school nursing program is a busy one. This includes physical examinations by the school doctors, vision tests, weighing and measuring, throat or skin checks for signs of contagious diseases and hearing tests by Mrs. Beda Langevin. For First Aid, to check a questionable condition or to take a sick child home all teachers know the nurse is available. At the Hawlemont School 304 were given care in the Health Room since Sept. 1959.

Physical examinations found no serious defects. Hard wax in the ear canal, low arches and the ever present need for dental care was noticable. Any new defects are reported to the parents. More dental certificates, showing 100% care by the dentist, are coming in. It's wonderful! We want more! Regular brushing really helps to cut down decay.

Once more a thank you to parents keeping a pupil home with a "fresh cold". More than one class room has had half of the children coughing. How it does spread. Vitamin A & D capsules are available. They do help toward better health.

Contagious diseases were higher. Known were: Charlemont, scarlet fever 9 in Jan and 2 in Nov. - Mumps 5 - chicken pox 2 and measles 1. Hawley had chicken pox 1, Heath, chicken pox 10 and Rowe scarlet fever 3 - chicken pox 1.

"Pink eye" spread quickly in the Heath School. From the first, we tried hard to check it—but it came back several times. In all schools, pupils with pink or discharging eyes must not come to school. Care is needed at home and the spread to others is rapid.

In a Diabetic Finding Program, a urine check for sugar was done in our school union. Three suspicious cases went to the family doctor—no diabetes. For adults, a testing place and time was given for each town—no diabetes. We never know—it was still worth while.

Due to the great danger of suffocation, when children play with plastic bags, a talk was given in all the schools. It was explained how the bag can kill and that no child must have one. Along with this warning we must always bear in mind the dangers of discarded refrigerators. Also watch your automatic driers. Children have been known to climb in them and suffocate.

A Mantoux test (skin test for TB) was given, at the Franklin County Hospital, to 12 High School student cafeteria workers. All had a negative reaction.

Last spring the Mass. State Dept. of Health warned of the danger of Polio for all persons under 40 not having had 3 shots of Polio Vaccine. From my lists, the mothers of those not completing this series were contacted. Folks under 40—have you all had yours? In May of 1960, we plan another Polio clinic for school and preschool children—the 4th shot. However, any child may have one shot, whether it be the 4th or less. Mothers will be notified of this clinic. This added dose will give more protection for next fall's Polio season. You're wise if you immunize!

At the annual Well Child Conferences Dr. M. B. Low gave each child a thorough physical examination and discussed the child's health with the mother. Mrs. George Coombs was the nutritionist for several towns and Mrs. Robert McIntosh, Jr. the dental hygienist in others. Abnormal conditions were referred to the family doctor for care. The number of little tots attending were: Charlemont 66 - Hawley 19 - Heath 27 and Rowe 13. 'Tis a happy mother when Dr. Low says, "Well child".

Visits were made to new borns, infants and preschool children to aid in maintaining good health.

For a healthy, happy time went 2 boys and 2 girls to Health Camp—all were from Charlemont.

We were grateful for the contributions from individuals

and organizations. Such assistance has been of great help in emergencies.

The District deeply appreciates the willing cooperation of the many volunteers in the community, without whose help the program could not have been carried on.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R.N.  
District Nurse

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS:

Balance brought forward		
January 1, 1960	\$	545.59
Town of Charlemont		1,840.00
Town of Heath		920.00
Town of Rowe		920.00
Town of Hawley		920.00
Vitamin Capsules		30.50
Nursing Fees		180.90
Withholding		562.80
County Retirement		189.00
Blue Cross & Blue Shield		51.00
State Tax		30.96
	—————\$	6,190.75

#### DISBURSEMENTS:

Nurse's Salary	\$	3,780.00
Nurse's Mileage		396.86
Phone Service		48.00
Supplies		37.72
New England Tel. & Tel.		126.20
Office Rent		300.00
Treasurer's Salary		110.00
Treasurer's Bond		20.00



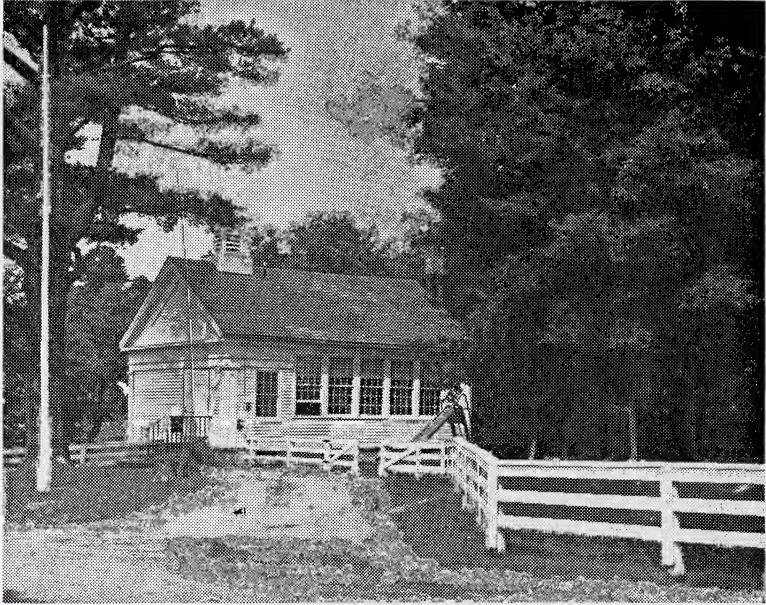
Withholding	562.80	
State Tax	30.96	
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	51.00	
County Retirement	189.00	
Doctor	50.00	
Business Checks	3.54	
Total		\$ 5,706.08
Balance carried forward to 1960		\$ 484.67

Respectfully submitted,

MARY L. CARPENTER  
Assistant Treasurer

#### 1960 BUDGET

Nurse's salary		\$ 3,840.00
Nurse's mileage		400.00
Supplies		50.00
Rent		300.00
Telephone		175.00
Treasurer's salary		110.00
Miscellaneous		25.00
Retirement		200.00
		\$ 5,100.00
Total Budget		\$ 5,100.00
From cash in Treasury		600.00
		\$ 4,500.00
Charlemont	40%	\$1,800.00
Heath	20%	900.00
Hawley	20%	900.00
Rowe	20%	900.00
		\$ 4,500.00



**THE VILLAGE SCHOOL**

## **Report of the School Committee**

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### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Arvon Palmer, Chairman	Term expires 1960
Bertha Chapin, Secretary	Term expires 1961
Betty Scrivens	Term expires 1962

### **PERSONNEL**

Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent
Phyllis Volland	Grades 1-3
Frances Lamoureaux	Grades 4-6
Jeanette Rich	Art Supervisor
Caroline Dorst	Music Supervisor
Nellie Veber	Janitor
Samuel J. Galbo, M.D.	School Physician
Dorothy Morehouse, R.N.	School Nurse
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term	
Opens January 4, 1960	Closes February 19, 1960
Second Winter Term	
Opens February 29, 1960	Closes April 14, 1960
Spring Term	
Opens April 25, 1960	Closes June 17, 1960
Fall Term	
Opens September 7, 1960	Closes December 23, 1960
Winter Term	Opens January 3, 1961

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	April 15, 1960
Columbus Day	October 12, 1960
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 19, 1960
Teachers' Visiting Day (Tentative)	October 26, 1960
Veterans' Day	November 11, 1960
Thanksgiving Day	Closes Noon November 23, 1960
Christmas Holidays	Closes December 23, 1960

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my fourth annual report.

My three previous reports should serve to explain much of my educational philosophy and policy. They also point to general problems and recommended solutions. Much of what was presented bears repeating, but I would prefer to confine any remarks to current developments and suggest reviewing earlier reports to those who are interested.

Early in 1959 the school committee initiated action to construct a new elementary school in the town. At town meeting a committee was agreed upon and a sum of money was provided for preliminary planning. This committee is expected to report at a town meeting in the near future.

This year the entering school age was raised to six years on or before September 1 of the year of entrance. The primary purpose of this is to bring the maturity of Grade 1 nearer to the point at which the average child can experience success in reading. It has been found that a majority of those children who experience difficulty in school have entered at an early age.

Mrs. Frances Lamoureux was elected to serve as teacher of upper grades beginning in September of 1959. She teaches grades 4, 5, and 6 while Mrs. Volland teaches grades 1, 2 and 3. As the combined enrollment is 25 the downstairs room at the village school was renovated and new furniture purchased. Additional increases in enrollment this coming year may necessitate further changes of a temporary nature!

With the renovations and repairs made this past summer, the village school remains in excellent condition. No repairs of a major nature are being contemplated at this time!

In conclusion, I would like to thank all those who have helped to make this past year a successful and enjoyable one for me. I would also like to take this opportunity to invite parents or citizens to call on me if I can be of any service to them.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON L. TILLEY

Superintendent of Schools



# ROWE PUPILS

Membership by Age and Grade — October 1, 1959

Grade	Ages												Total
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
1	3												3
2	1	3											4
3			3										3
4			2	3	1								6
5				1			1	1					3
6					1	3	1						5
7							5						5
8							1	1					2
9								1		1			2
10							1			3	1		5
11													
12												1	1
	4	3	5	4	2	3	9	3		4	1	1	39

**VILLAGE SCHOOL  
DISBURSEMENTS OF 1959 FUNDS & BUDGET FOR 1960**

	1959 App.	1959 Exp.	1960 App.
<b>GENERAL CONTROL:</b>			
School Committee Expense	79.00	102.98	136.25
Superintendent's Salary	720.00	709.98	750.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	352.00	353.69	377.00
	1,151.00	1,166.65	1,263.25
<b>INSTRUCTION:</b>			
Teachers	4,527.00	6,336.02	9,520.00
Supervisors	586.00	545.00	671.00
Substitutes	75.00	24.00	150.00
Staff Expense			50.00
Books	200.00	408.51	275.00
Supplies & Tests	125.00	331.50	350.00
	5,513.00	7,645.03	11,016.00
<b>OPERATION:</b>			
Janitor Service	450.00	446.50	590.00
Fuel	325.00	327.76	375.00
Miscellaneous	275.00	260.10	475.00
	1,050.00	1,034.36	1,440.00
<b>MAINTENANCE:</b>			
Repairs & Replacements	100.00	635.16	150.00
<b>AUXILIARY:</b>			
Health	60.00	8.99	75.00
Elementary Transportation	5,433.00	4,641.86	7,125.00
High School Transportation	3,345.00	2,485.89	3,255.00
Elementary Tuition	5,970.00	4,310.00	6,000.00
High School Tuition	5,655.00	3,795.40	5,520.00
Vocational	530.00		530.00
	20,993.00	15,242.14	22,505.00
<b>OUTLAY:</b>			
New Equipment	575.00	1,210.24	765.00
Yards & Grounds	260.00	205.00	100.00
	835.00	1,415.24	865.00
Reserve	100.00		100.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$29,742.00</b>	<b>\$27,138.58</b>	<b>\$37,339.25</b>

**CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1959**

Town Appropriation	\$ 29,742.00	
Unexpended Balance	2,603.42	
Gross Cost to Town for Schools		\$ 27,138.58
<b>Estimated Reimbursements:</b>		
Chapter 70, General Aid	\$ 1,727.45	
Supt's Salary & Travel	373.31	
Transportation	6,898.46	
Vocational	475.50	
Division of Child Guardianship	1,191.57	
		\$ 10,666.29
<b>NET COST TO TOWN FOR SCHOOLS</b>		<b>\$ 16,472.29</b>

The Rowe School Committee  
ARVON PALMER, Chairman  
BERTHA CHAPIN, Secretary  
BETTY SCRIVENS

## REPORT OF ROWE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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The school committee is a committee of townspeople administrating state laws. We therefore have a double obligation: to the town on one hand and to the state on the other. This means that we must provide sufficient classroom space to meet our still increasing enrollment and furthermore do this in such a way as will satisfy State requirements.

Our efforts to this end have resulted in the opening of a second room in September for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades at the Village School, but we are still being advised by the State that the towns require special permission to tuition seventh and eighth grades out of town—and this on a one year basis only. Furthermore, the State has warned that the high school to which these pupils are being tuitioned is overcrowded and in poor condition.

Respectfully submitted,

ARVON PALMER, Chairman  
Rowe School Committee

**NORTHERN BERKSHIRE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PLANNING BOARD  
REPORT OF ROWE MEMBER**

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The Regional District Vocational Planning Board has completed its work during the past year. On November 3, 1959 seven of the member towns voted to participate in the building of this proposed Vocational High School in North Adams.

Rowe may join this District if the voters wish, or may tuition pupils there as long as the member towns agree.

If the voters are interested in joining, it should be noted that the laws for the town meeting considering such a step have been carefully set up and should be followed to the letter.

As this District is now formed, the Planning Board's work is completed, and a new committee now takes over. Unless the voters wish to participate in the Region, I shall consider my work on the Board ended.

Respectfully submitted,

ARVON PALMER



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE

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The members of this committee are pleased to report the progress made during the twenty-seven meetings held thus far.

Seven sites were taken into consideration. The Viola Stone lot with some adjacent land was favored as being the best choice.

Five new schools were visited with a member of the building committee present in each case so that we might eliminate the stumbling blocks they encountered while building.

Seven architects were interviewed and the firm of Webber & Erickson of Rutland, Vermont was chosen.

Mr. Erickson has worked faithfully with the committee attending the Boston meetings with us and presented a plan which Mr. Black of the School Building Commission seemed very pleased with. Only minor changes were suggested.

Mr. Tilley has met with us nearly every meeting and presented Educational Specifications which we feel will give Rowe children a school program which everyone can be proud of.

HERBERT H. FITZROY, Chairman  
MARY B. SIBLEY, Secretary  
WALTER A. BATES  
BERTHA E. CHAPIN  
EFFORD H. PIERCE  
BETTY SCRIVENS  
ALICE V. TRUESDELL  
ARVON PALMER  
WENDELL W. BJORK

## Tax Collector's Report

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### TAXES OUTSTANDING AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1959

**1958 Taxes:**

Poll	\$	2.00	
Personal Property		28.52	
Real Estate		256.37	
Motor Vehicle Excise		160.14	
		<hr/>	\$ 447.03

**1959 Taxes:**

Poll	\$	6.00	
Personal Property		95.76	
Real Estate		606.90	
Motor Vehicle Excise		484.07	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,192.73

Total of all outstanding taxes:		\$	1,639.76
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Respectfully submitted,

ANNE G. BOND

Tax Collector

# State Audit Report

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March 25, 1959

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. John H. Williams, Jr., Chairman  
Rowe, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the general accounts of the town of Rowe for the period from February 18, 1958, and of the tax collector's accounts for the period from May 11, 1958, to February 10, 1959, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE  
Director of Accounts

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Mr. Herman B. Dine  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the general accounts of the town of Rowe for the period from February 18, 1958, and of the tax collector's accounts for the period from May 11, 1958, the dates of the previous examinations, to February 10, 1959, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or sending out bills for collection, were examined and checked.

The surety bonds on file for the several town officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The receipts, as recorded, were analyzed and checked with the records of the departments making payments to the treasurer and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the expenditures were compared with the selectmen's warrants and with the classified record of payments. The cash balance on February 10, 1959 was proved by reconciliation

of the bank balance with a statement received from the depository and by examination of the savings bank books.

The records of payroll deductions on account of Federal taxes and the county retirement system were examined and checked. The deductions were listed, the payments to the proper agencies were verified, and the balances in the general treasury were proved.

The records of tax titles were examined and checked with the books of the tax collector and with the records at the Registry of Deeds. The amounts received on account of redemptions were verified.

The records pertaining to temporary loans were examined and checked. The loans issued were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, while the payments were compared with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled notes on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and listed. The income was proved, the amounts received on account of bequests were checked, and the payments to the town were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The accounts recommitted to the present collector, as well as all subsequent commitment lists, were audited and proved with the warrants issued by the board of assessors. The recorded collections were checked, the payments to the treasurer were verified, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to tax titles were verified, the outstanding accounts were listed and proved, and the cash on hand February 10, 1959 was proved by actual count.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to all persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The appropriations were listed from the town clerk's record of town meetings, and the amounts voted were compared with the aggregate appropriations raised by the assessors in the computation of the 1958 tax rate.

The financial transactions of the town clerk were examined and checked. The recorded receipts for dog licenses were checked with the records of licenses issued, and the payments to the town treasurer were verified. The sporting licenses issued were compiled from the stub records in the various license books as there had been no monthly reports or payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game made since the previous audit. The cash on hand February 10, 1959 was proved by actual count.

The attention of the town clerk once again is called to the provisions of Section 13, Chapter 131, General Laws, which requires



payments on the first Monday of every month to the Division of Fisheries and Game of the proceeds of sporting licenses issued during the preceding month.

The transfers from the reserve fund were listed from the records of the finance committee and checked with the appropriation accounts.

The records of receipts of the selectmen and the sealer of weights and measures, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash receipts, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

Ledger accounts were compiled, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on February 10, 1959.

It was noted that the expenditures for Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 highway projects exceeded the amounts available on February 10, 1959 by \$26,963.31. This condition could have been avoided by the renewal of a temporary loan issued in anticipation of reimbursement, as provided by Sections 6A and 17 of Chapter 44, General Laws.

It was also noted that the town purchased a power grader in 1958 for \$4,500.00 without inviting bids as required by the provisions of Section 4B, Chapter 40, General Laws.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax and departmental accounts, together with schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

On behalf of my assistants and for myself I wish to express appreciation for the cooperation received from all town officials while engaged in making the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ

Assistant Director of Accounts

**TOWN OF ROWE**  
**Balance Sheet — February 10, 1959**  
**GENERAL ACCOUNTS**

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash,		Payroll Deductions:	
Accounts Receivable:		Federal Taxes,	\$ 298.89
Taxes:		County Retirement System,	20.25
Levy of 1954:			\$ 319.14
Real Estate,		Collector's Costs,	2.60
Levy of 1955:		Trust Fund Income:	
Real Estate,		Foster School Fund,	21.15
Levy of 1956:		Charles Wells Library Fund,	134.58
Personal Property,	\$ 51.98	Preserved Smith Library Fund,	227.72
Real Estate,	58.52	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,	34.58
			418.03
Levy of 1957:		Federal Grants:	
Poll	2.00	Disability Assistance:	
Personal Property,	31.60	Assistance,	89.38
Real Estate,	140.23	Aid to Dependent Children:	
		Administration,	49.85
Levy of 1958:		Aid,	616.04
Poll,	32.00	Old Age Assistance:	
Personal Property,	36.27	Administration,	71.14
Real Estate,	600.16	Assistance,	281.91
			1,108.82
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		School Lunch Fund,	23.20
Levy of 1956,	20.69	Appropriation Balances,	103,318.15
Levy of 1957,	112.30	Road Machinery Fund	1,262.00
Levy of 1958,	429.44	Overestimate 1958:	
		State Recreation Areas,	2.66
Tax Titles,		Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus,	7,506.39
Departmental:		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
Old Age Assistance,		Levy of 1954,	2.60
			338.22

Aid to Highways:  
State,  
County,

29,963.31  
4,000.00

33,963.31

Revenue 1959:

Appropriations Voted,  
Welfare Dist. Assess. Paid

113,079.20  
160.00

113,239.20

Deduct:

Estimated Receipts

Collected,

Available Funds Voted,

—440.12  
—13,111.53

\$ 99,687.55

Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts:

Underestimate 1958:

County Tax,

176.07

Overdrawn Appropriations:

Highways:

Chapter 81, 1958

Chapter 90 Const., 1958,

963.31  
26,000.00

26,963.31

\$168,791.34

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:  
Cash and Securities,

\$ 16,991.02

Foster School Fund,

\$ 260.13

Charles Wells Library Fund,

500.00

Preserved Smith Library Fund,

1,000.00

Library Gift Fund

414.61

Charles Wells Cemetery Fund,

249.76

Abbott L. White Cemetery Fund,

262.06

Post-War Rehabilitation Fund,

14,304.46

\$ 16,991.02

Levy of 1955,  
Levy of 1956,  
Levy of 1957,  
Levy of 1958,

2.70  
110.50  
173.83  
668.43

958.06

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise,

562.43

Tax Title,

446.80

Departmental,

338.22

Aid to Highways,

33,963.31

Surplus Revenue,

35,310.76

18,561.53

\$168,791.34

\$ 16,991.02



#### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

**John Bond - Herbert Fitzroy - Howard Truesdell**

## **Assessor's Report**

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### **TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES**

**As Assessed January 1, 1959**

Number of Persons assessed:

On Personal Estate only	9
On Real Estate only	109
On both Personal and Real Estate	79
Total number of persons assessed	197
Number of Polls assessed	60



Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in trade	\$	400.00
Machinery		280,236.00
Live Stock		505.00
All other tangible property		11,490.00
Total Assessed Personal Estate		<u>\$ 292,631.00</u>
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land exclusive of Building	\$104,348.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	956,150.00	
		<u></u>
Total Assessed Real Estate		<u>\$1,060,498.00</u>
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate		<u>\$1,353,129.00</u>
Tax Rate per \$1,000 — \$63.00		
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes,		
including overlay:		
On Personal Estate	\$	18,435.75
On Real Estate		66,811.37
On Polls		120.00
Total Taxes Assessed		<u>\$ 85,367.12</u>
Number of Live Stock estimated under		
Section 36, Chapter 59:		
Horses		14
Neat Cattle		7
Bulls, Heifers, Yearlings		7
Number of acres of land assessed		14,747
Number of dwellings assessed		143

### FIGURES USED IN ARRIVING AT THE 1959 TAX RATE

Total Appropriation voted to be raised	
by taxation	\$ 99,967.67
Total Appropriation voted from	
available funds:	22,411.53
State Taxes and Assessments:	742.98
County Taxes and Assessments:	5,675.01
Western Franklin Health District:	920.00
Western Franklin Welfare District:	160.00
West. Franklin Veterans' Service Center:	292.50
Overlay Reserve Fund:	1,670.49
GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED	<u>\$131,840.18</u>

## Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:

Income Tax	\$ 3,638.85	
Corporation Taxes	2,944.71	
Reimbursement		
Publicly owned land	166.74	
Old Age Tax (Meals)	308.57	
Motor Veh. & Trailer Ex.	3,700.00	
Licenses	100.00	
General Government	75.00	
Protect. of Persons & Prop.	25.00	
Charities	550.00	
Old Age Assistance	4,025.00	
Veterans' Services	25.00	
Schools	8,400.00	
Interest	75.00	
Farm Animal Excise	25.00	
Total Estimated Receipts	—————	\$ 24,058.87
Total Available Funds		22,414.19
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Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$ 46,473.06
Balance to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property		85,367.12
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Total of Receipts, Available Funds and Levy		\$131,840.18

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD O. TRUESDELL

HERBERT H. FITZROY

JOHN E. BOND

Board of Assessors

**VALUATION LIST**  
**REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
Aberg, Walter C. & Eugenie	1,050	1,070	350
Adams, Eva N. Estate	100	175	25
Alves, Francis H.		425	
Avery, Lucy J.	775	865	100
Avery, Charles & Marion	800	200	50
Avery, Marion		80	
Babcock, Kenneth F. & Swenson, John R. & Swenson, Howard E.	500	100	200
Bannish, John E.		105	
Bates, Walter A. & Jessie A.	1,450	510	
Bassett, Emmett D.		100	
Bennett, Eva P. Estate	1,525	2,995	200
Bent, Roy	275	850	
Bjork, Benjamin & Augusta	1,525	815	300
Bjork, Wendell & Florence	1,575	200	600
Blassberg, William	900	150	400
Bolton, Lawrence M.	500	625	
Bond, Anna M. Estate	300	575	
Bond, John E. & Anne G.	1,150	75	25
Brown, Archie & Hazel	300	75	50
Boston & Maine Railroad		580	
Brown, Percy	550	100	250
Brown, Clinton E.	400	680	
Brown, Dean			25
Brown, Edwin M. & Victoria	350	75	
Brown, Everett C. & Doria		150	
Brown, William H.	775	820	450
Buehler, William J. & Frances	300	75	150
Buchner, Charles J.	1,100	915	400
Burgess, Lyman T. & K. E.	350	355	
Burke, Earl & Marjorie B.	250	425	100
Burt, William R. & Eva H.		435	
Call, Frederick J.		255	
Carroll, Fred W.		340	
Carroll, Fred W. & Goodwin, Chas. W.		170	
Chapin, Bertha & Tryon, Helen	1,600	380	
Clark, Arthur & Ivy A.	550	350	155

Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
Clark, Chester E. & Mann, Thomas		490	
Coe, Chalmers	425	100	100
Codrick, Thomas H.		1,320	
Compton, Barbara S.	350	350	100
Copley, Thomas & Louise	100	75	50
Cornish, William B. & Harriet B.	800	320	
Davenport, Alton S. & Harriet E.	800	100	
Davenport, Maud E.	50	1,315	
Dechand, William F.	500	510	100
Decker, E. Hampton & June H.	550	705	100
Dosoe, Harlan J. & Gertrude N.	475	100	
Doubleday, Lloyd	200	770	50
Davenport, C. P., Inc.		2,100	
Dunnel, Gilbert & Helen			50
Ellis, Glen L. & Jack A.		200	
Essert, Paul L. & Pearl M.	250	550	100
Farnum, Lucy	525	850	
Farrington, Arthur W.		212	
Fitzroy, Herbert H. & Ruth M.	400	75	
Franceschetti, Cornelio & Marion A.	1,375	100	300
Frost, Roger Estate		255	
Galbraith, James A. & A. G.		520	
Gardner, Harold		50	
Genesi, Paul A. & Ella	350	100	150
Gilman, Marie F.	350	75	50
Griswold, Lewis G.		150	
Gfroerer, Herbert	1,150	250	300
Godfrey, James & Dora M.	675	850	
Gorczakoski, Joseph	400	300	
Hamilton, Warren J.		50	
Henderson, Warren D. & Mable	200	75	50
Henderson, Edward C.	1,100	910	
Henry, Martha	900	100	100
Holden, Alice M.	550	510	150
Howe, Gardner		775	
Hoxie, George & Cynthia A.		240	
Hurd, Howard G.	50	490	
Jackman, Francis & Bertha	550	250	80
Jacobs, Dulcena		75	
Johnson, Cynthia W.	650	100	300



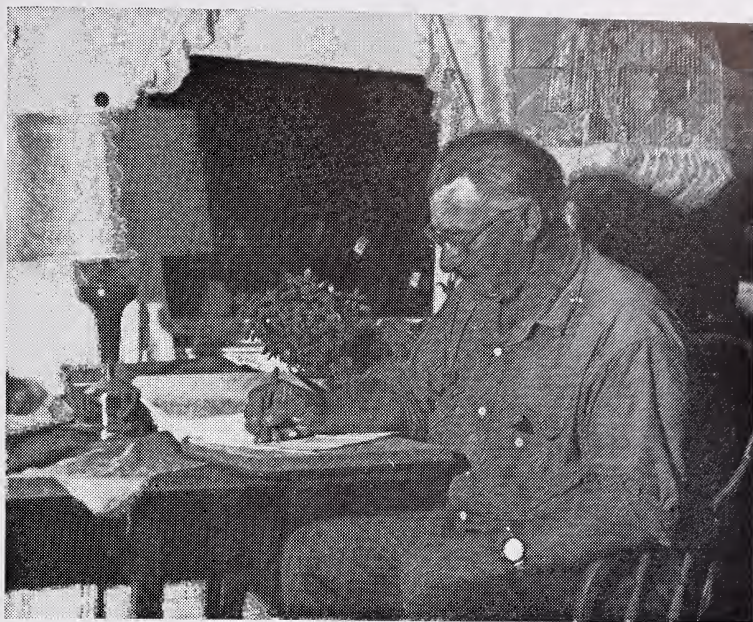
Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
Jones, Deane H. & Margaret S.		300	
Kennedy, Cecil H.		255	
Kilgore, Harold		25	
Knox, John & Lois B.	1,050	770	50
Knapp, John & Ada L.	450	100	
Kolnacki, Joseph S.	300	200	85
Lee, Bessie M.	650	50	
Lee, Lawrence	650	645	300
LeFave, Felix & Florence	400	100	100
Lin, Helen	550	200	150
Lively, Mederic, Eleanor & Frederick		170	
Lowensberg, William A.	550	785	
Magnago, Joseph & Valerie	850	150	
Magnago, Sylvia	100	125	
Martin, Frank A.		50	
McKay, Frank J. & Cecile F.	300	100	100
Miller, Walter J. & Shirley E.	1,600	625	
Moriarty, John W.	400	125	100
Munroe, B. C.	350	1,275	200
Murray, Samuel & Lillias & Dorsey, Fred & Lillias	925	500	70
Neal, Florence	1,400	600	450
Nelson, Adolph	800	100	250
Newton, Frank W. & Marion L.	700	50	
Nelson, Margaret			25
Nelson, Robert W.			25
Newman, Murray L. & Janice H.		170	
New England Power Co.	265,650	20,671	200,000
New Eng. Tel. & Tel., Co.			3,400
Newton, Myron	1,275	500	50
Niebuhr, H. Richard & Florence M.	450	150	25
Nilman, Carl H.		65	
Norris, Florence	700	550	300
Northern Berk. Elec. Co.			15,036
Northfield Washed Sand & Gravel Co.			2,500
Oliver, John	200	750	50
Palmer, Ellsworth & Arvon	550	800	60
Peck Lumber Co.		1,390	

Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
Pickett, John T. & Evelyn L.	250	250	
Pinckney, Constance W.		50	
Pierce, Efford H. & Frances E.	1,500	385	30
Pierson, William D.		100	
Pratt, Clarence & Marcella	1,300	380	350
Quinn, George L.	1,150	560	400
Raffa, Frank J. & Anna M.		100	
Rainbow Hill, d/b/a Homecraft Pioneers			100
Rand, Elmer & Pearl	75	50	25
Ramsey, David H.		550	
Raycroft, Volney & Esther	500	50	
Reed, Harriet C.		550	
Reed, Glenn & Ellen R.		150	
Rice, Alfred M. & Lois N.	175	720	
Richmond, Donald & Mary		100	
Riggan, George & Merle	350	200	50
Rivers, Albert G.		350	
Rose, Thomas M.	325	175	150
Rossi, Joseph & Caroline	450	425	
Saich, William & Margaret B.	600	235	150
Sartori, Frank & Rocco	325	130	
Scarpitto, John W. & Marjorie	1,375	400	300
Scarpitto, Wanda & Atwood, Donald J.	350	75	150
Schubert, Paul & Dorothy	600	275	350
Schmidt, Frank & Lena	400	150	200
Scrivens, Clarence M.	350	125	150
Scrivens, Fred & Betty R.	425	250	
Searles, Howard H.	750	100	150
Shea, Raymond P., Jr. Estate	125	100	
Sherman, Elmer L.		130	
Shippee, Leon	550	150	
Shumway, Chandler	1,075	685	
Shumway, Harold & Gladys		380	
Shumway, Richard E.	625	800	65
Shumway, Roberta V. & Robert D.	800	100	
Sibley, Annie & Bainbridge, Chas. G.		100	
Sibley, Clifford W. & Mary E.	2,000	1,015	50

Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
Sibley, Emory B.	1,000	1,150	
Sibley, Emory B. & Jessie F.	100	25	
Sibley, Margaret	300	160	
Sifton, Henry A. & Veber, Nellie	550	100	
Slaunwhite, Stewart & Louise N.		50	
Smith, Royal		75	
Soule, Kenneth D. & Evelyn L.	525	200	
Stanford, E. Elwood & Alice	500	300	150
Stanford, Grace	700	115	
Stanford, J. Henry & Lila	500	475	
Stevens, Raymond B. & Dorothy N.	900	160	
Stone, Viola		200	
Swenson, Howard E. & Virginia M.	950	475	350
Swenson, Robert G.	550	600	50
Sykes, Roy R.		500	
Tombs, Nelson E. & Hazel	300	350	100
Truesdell, Sarah L.	550	1,590	
Truesdell, A. F. Estate		160	
Truesdell, Elwin O. & Maud W.	150	50	50
Truesdell, Gerald A. & Alice	550	650	420
Tuttle, Charles & Annie M.	750	125	
Van Itallie, Hugo & Hecht, Roger	1,375	2,400	400
Vareschi, Peter	525	300	400
Van Alstine, Maud M.	550	75	
Veber, Ellsworth & Blanche	700	180	
Veber, Floyd & Irene	825	510	
Vincent, Louis A.		85	
Vitty, Theodore L. & Dupont, Chas. J.		425	
Wackenbarth, Frederick S.		500	
Waite, Cora	300	475	250
Wessman, Herbert		555	
West Virginia Pulp & Paper		640	
Volland, Arthur & Phyllis		75	
Whalley, Irene	250	125	50
Western Union			1,200
Wheaton, Anne W.	1,250	225	300
White, Edmund A.		100	

Name	Real Property		Personal Property
	Buildings	Land	
White, Mary T.	750	150	175
Wiley, Belle & Turner, Dora	200	310	
Wilson, Raymond, Jr.	50	75	
Williams, Nancy E.	1,900	1,155	
Woffenden, Fay	375	120	50
Woffenden, John	800	550	
Woffenden, John F. & Gladys R.	250	470	
Wright, Wallace H. & Mabelle F.	675	150	
Wortman, George & Louise		100	
Wyland, G. Alan & Florence	675	500	30
Yankee Atomic Electric Co.	605,875	11,435	57,000





**TOWN CLERK**  
Gerald A. Truesdell

## Town Clerk's Report

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### VITAL STATISTICS

#### Births

NONE

#### Deaths

Date	Name	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
April 17	— Charles Clark Tuttle	76	5	18
May 10	— Loren Edward Dickey	48	9	15

#### Marriages

Date	Name	Residence
Oct. 29	James H. Williams	Rcwe
	Ree Schuler	Tarrytown, N. Y.

Dec. 6	Newell E. Morton, Jr.	Rowe
	Ruth Tirrell	Bernardston
Dec. 12	Carroll B. Stowe	Colrain
	Margaret C. Nelson	Rowe

**Licenses Issued****Dog Licenses**

16 Males @ \$2.00	\$	32.00	
2 Female @ \$5.00		10.00	
12 Spayed Females @ \$2.00		24.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 66.00
Fees Retained @ 25c	\$	7.50	
Paid Town Treasurer		58.50	
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**Sporting Licenses**

9 Resident Fishing @ \$3.25	\$	22.75	
16 Resident Hunting @ \$3.25		52.00	
19 Resident Sporting @ \$5.25		99.75	
5 Resident Minor Fishing @ \$1.25		6.25	
2 Resident Female Fishing @ \$2.25		4.50	
6 Non Resident Fishing @ \$2.75		16.50	
6 Non Resident Hunting @ \$15.25		91.50	
1 Duplicate @ 50c		.50	
6 Resident Sporting (Free)			
		<hr/>	\$ 293.75
Fees Retained @ 25c	\$	15.25	
Paid Division Fish & Game		278.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 293.75

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD A. TRUESDELL

Town Clerk

## Town Expenditures - 1959

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### Municipal Administration Expenditures

#### ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Special Meeting (12-15-59)	200.00	
Board of Selectmen		\$ 15.47
Board of Assessors		37.56
Tax Collector		62.11
Treasurer		104.99
Town Clerk		35.25
Town Office Supplies & Repairs		197.19
New Equipment, Adding Machine		161.10
Postage		35.00
Telephone		54.10
Publishing Annual Report (1958)		416.88
Balance in General Treasury		80.35
	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00

#### BONDS AND INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	\$ 2,500.00	
Special Meeting (12-15-59)	700.00	
Reserve Fund	18.75	
Workmen's Compensation		\$ 1,428.04
Contractor's Liability		71.28
Vehicle Liability & Fire		988.62
Burglary		76.50
Volunteer Fire Dept.		166.25
Town Building Fire Inc. Schedule		389.46
Official's Bonds		
Town Clerk	\$10.00	
Tax Collector	41.40	
Treasurer	27.20	
Conservator (2)	20.00	
		98.60
	\$ 3,218.75	\$ 3,218.75

**CONTINGENCIES**

Town Appropriation	\$	800.00		
Reserve Fund		144.55		
Ballot Clerks and Tellers			\$	70.00
Town Counsel Services & Fees				340.70
Wildcat Bounties (3)				30.00
Memorial Day Flags & Xmas Decorations				30.19
Dog Officer Expense				10.00
Interest Notes #65, 66, 67				323.48
Certification Notes #66, 67, 68				6.00
Assessor's Clerk				85.00
Janitor Service				30.00
Miscellaneous				19.18
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	\$	944.55	\$	944.55

**TOWN HALL — OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$	800.00		
Special Meeting (12-15-59)		150.00		
Reserve Fund		39.66		
Janitor Service			\$	161.00
Heating Fuel Oil				323.68
Electricity				196.41
Cooking Gas				26.61
Building Repairs				91.11
Lawns and Walks				60.80
Supplies				24.40
New Equipment				15.80
Telephone				89.85
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	\$	989.66	\$	989.66

**TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES**

Town Appropriation	\$	3,225.00		
Selectmen			\$	900.00
J. H. Williams	\$450.00			
J. H. Stanford	225.00			
E. C. Henderson	225.00			
Assessors				495.83
H. O. Truesdell	170.00			
J. E. Bond	170.00			



H. H. Fitzroy	155.83	
School Committee		275.00
A. G. Palmer	100.00	
B. E. Chapin	100.00	
B. R. Scrivens	75.00	
Tax Collector		
A. G. Bond		250.00
Treasurer		500.01
F. E. Pierce	62.50	
F. M. Bjork	437.51	
Town Clerk		
G. A. Truesdell		200.00
Administrative Clerk		
H. B. Cornish		400.00
Fire Chief		
J. H. Stanford		100.00
Moderator		
G. A. Truesdell		20.00
Auditor		
F. E. Pierce		5.00
Sealer, Weights & Measures		
S. Murray		5.00
Balance in General Treasury		39.16
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		\$ 3,225.00    \$ 3,225.00

### TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES

Town Appropriation	\$ 200.00	
Board of Selectmen		\$ 126.81
Board of Assessors		17.94
Treasurer		5.60
Tax Collector		8.50
Town Clerk		7.50
Board of Health		13.45
Board of Appeal		5.00
Balance in General Treasury		15.20
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		\$ 200.00    \$ 200.00

## Highway Department Expenditures

### ROAD MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

1958 Machinery Earnings	\$ 6,111.53	
Town Appropriation	1,000.00	
1959 Machinery Earnings (10-13-59)	1,500.00	
Special Meeting (12-15-59)	1,000.00	
Reserve Fund	33.03	
Superintendent		\$ 534.90
Regular Labor		952.35
Small Tools and Equipment		228.06
Heating Fuel Oil		707.74
Electricity		117.61
Telephone		124.80
Vehicle Registration & Inspection		7.00
Oil, Grease, etc.		213.42
Diesel Fuel		280.96
Kerosene		50.73
Gasoline:		
#1—F-250 Pick-up	\$163.01	
#2—R-190		
Dump Truck	517.89	
#3—F-800		
Dump Truck	644.41	
#7 & #8 — Sanders	41.12	
Brush & Chain Saws	39.79	
Total Gasoline		1,406.22
Repairs, Parts, etc.		
#1—F-250	158.10	
#2—R-190	311.50	
#3—F-800	970.95	
#4—Fordson-Major	92.33	
#5—Cletrac	178.10	
#6—Power Grader	2,147.99	
#7—Tailgate Sander	49.00	
#8—Fox Sander	374.40	
#9—Power Saw	49.63	
#10—Street Sweeper	18.00	
Snow Plows		
(Blades, etc.)	413.53	
Common Spare Parts	122.09	
Total Repairs, Parts, etc.		4,885.62

New Equipment	135.15
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\$ 9,644.56	\$ 9,644.56

### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT NEW EQUIPMENT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 11,900.00	
Reserve Fund	16.55	
All-Wheel-Drive Truck Int. R-190		\$ 9,265.00
Plow Push Frame		205.00
Snow Plows		1,136.90
Installation Equip., Spare Parts		409.65
Grace Street Sweeper, Model K		900.00
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\$ 11,916.55	\$ 11,916.55	

### **EMPLOYEES' VACATION PAY**

Town Appropriation	\$ 800.00	
S. Murray		\$ 160.00
H. O. Truesdell		128.00
J. F. Knapp		128.00
J. Magnago		120.00
R. L. Quillinan		120.00
E. E. Palmer		120.00
Balance in General Treasury		24.00
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\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	

### **HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, ETC.**

#### **CHAPTER 81 MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,600.00	
State Allotment	11,000.00	
Reserve Fund	.92	
Superintendent		\$ 1,034.35
Labor		5,298.00
Materials		2,234.32
Hired Road Equipment		1,702.75
Town Road Equipment		2,331.50
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\$ 12,600.92	\$ 12,600.92	

## Highway Department Expenditures

### ROAD MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

1958 Machinery Earnings	\$	6,111.53	
Town Appropriation		1,000.00	
1959 Machinery Earnings (10-13-59)		1,500.00	
Special Meeting (12-15-59)		1,000.00	
Reserve Fund		33.03	
Superintendent	\$		534.90
Regular Labor			952.35
Small Tools and Equipment			228.06
Heating Fuel Oil			707.74
Electricity			117.61
Telephone			124.80
Vehicle Registration & Inspection			7.00
Oil, Grease, etc.			213.42
Diesel Fuel			280.96
Kerosene			50.73
Gasoline:			
#1—F-250 Pick-up	\$163.01		
#2—R-190			
Dump Truck	517.89		
#3—F-800			
Dump Truck	644.41		
#7 & #8 — Sanders	41.12		
Brush & Chain Saws	39.79		
Total Gasoline			1,406.22
Repairs, Parts, etc.			
#1—F-250	158.10		
#2—R-190	311.50		
#3—F-800	970.95		
#4—Fordson-Major	92.33		
#5—Cletrac	178.10		
#6—Power Grader	2,147.99		
#7—Tailgate Sander	49.00		
#8—Fox Sander	374.40		
#9—Power Saw	49.63		
#10—Street Sweeper	18.00		
Snow Plows			
(Blades, etc.)	413.53		
Common Spare Parts	122.09		
Total Repairs, Parts, etc.			4,885.62



## New Equipment

135.15

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\$ 9,644.56	\$ 9,644.56
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**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT NEW EQUIPMENT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 11,900.00	
Reserve Fund	16.55	
All-Wheel-Drive Truck Int. R-190		\$ 9,265.00
Plow Push Frame		205.00
Snow Plows		1,136.90
Installation Equip., Spare Parts		409.65
Grace Street Sweeper, Model K		900.00
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	\$ 11,916.55	\$ 11,916.55

**EMPLOYEES' VACATION PAY**

Town Appropriation	\$ 800.00	
S. Murray		\$ 160.00
H. O. Truesdell		128.00
J. F. Knapp		128.00
J. Magnago		120.00
R. L. Quillinan		120.00
E. E. Palmer		120.00
Balance in General Treasury		24.00
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	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00

**HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, ETC.****CHAPTER 81 MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,600.00	
State Allotment	11,000.00	
Reserve Fund	.92	
Superintendent		\$ 1,034.35
Labor		5,298.00
Materials		2,234.32
Hired Road Equipment		1,702.75
Town Road Equipment		2,331.50
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	\$ 12,600.92	\$ 12,600.92

**CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION  
MONROE HILL ROAD AND HAZELTON ROAD**

Town Appropriation	\$ 6,000.00	
County Allotment	4,000.00	
State Allotment	5,000.00	
Reserve Fund	1.12	
Superintendent		\$ 574.00
Labor		2,677.00
Materials		3,902.87
Hired Road Equipment		6,445.75
Town Road Equipment		1,401.50
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	\$ 15,001.12	\$ 15,001.12

**CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,500.00	
County Allotment	1,500.00	
State Allotment	1,500.00	
Superintendent		\$ 231.20
Labor		1,345.70
Materials		2,409.10
Hired Road Equipment		17.00
Town Road Equipment		497.00
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	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00

**1959 CHAPTER 81 EXPENDITURES  
IN THE TOWN OF ROWE**

1. Zoar Road	\$ 146.15
2. Pond Road	32.60
3. Leshures Road	98.30
4. Ford Hill Road	2,027.55
5. Monroe Hill Road	1,019.55
6. Middletown Hill Road	266.60
7. Potters Road	210.80
8. Cross Road	238.00
9. Stone Hill Road	285.75
10. Stone Road	70.90
11. Cyrus Stage Road	452.31
12. Dell Road	586.99

13.	Davis Mine Road	403.50
14.	Davenport Road	254.85
14a.	Davenport Road Br.	91.70
15.	Tatro Road	284.05
16.	Discontinued	0.00
17.	Brittingham Hill Road	1401.47
18.	Hazelton Road	716.70
19.	County Road	236.89
20.	County Road Br.	22.21
21.	Shippee Road	188.10
22.	Newell Cross Road	105.52
23.	Tunnel Road	738.65
24.	Petrie's Road	1,112.70
25.	Steele Brook Road	377.75
26.	Bonnie Blink Road	24.90
27.	Dennis Road	0.00
28.	Brown Road	52.63
29.	Shumway Road	23.50
30.	Sibley Road	33.40
31.	Calcium Chloride	1,096.90

TOTAL	\$ 12,600.92
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## ALLOTMENTS:

State .....	\$ 11,000.00
Town .....	1,600.92
Total	\$ 12,600.92

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE (Special - 1958)

## Winter Maintenance of Roads leading to

## Yankee Atomic Electric Co.

State Allotment	\$ 2,500.00	
Superintendent		\$ 201.40
Labor		922.70
Sand and Salt		812.40
Hired Road Equipment		4.00
Town Road Equipment		559.50
	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00

**SPECIAL ROAD ACCOUNT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 8,000.00	
Reserve Fund	.06	
Superintendent		\$ 205.00
Labor		1,929.70
Materials		708.88
Hired Road Equipment		4,611.23
Town Road Equipment		545.25
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	\$ 8,000.06	\$ 8,000.06

**SPECIAL ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	
Superintendent		\$ 474.00
Labor		3,392.24
Equipment purchase		292.65
Hired Road Equipment		202.50
Town Road Equipment		499.00
Balance in General Treasury		139.61
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	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

**BRIDGE AND GUARD RAIL**

Town Appropriation	\$ 500.00	
Superintendent		\$ 96.00
Labor		251.60
Materials		31.23
Town Road Machinery		35.50
Balance in General Treasury		85.67
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	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00

**TOWN ACCOUNT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Stone & Webster (Reimbursement)	136.60	
Superintendent		\$ 138.60
Labor		460.39
Materials		139.17
Street Signs		105.00
Hired Road Equipment		105.07

Town Road Equipment	182.50
Balance in General Treasury	5.87
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\$ 1,136.60	\$ 1,136.60

**WINTER ROADS**

Town Appropriation	\$ 10,000.00	
Special Meeting (10-13-59)	2,000.00	
Reserve Fund	.36	
Superintendent		\$ 1,221.04
Labor		4,891.64
Sand		2,681.70
Salt & Chloride		458.98
Hired Road Equipment		34.00
Town Road Equipment		2,713.00
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\$ 12,000.36	\$ 12,000.36	

**SNOW FENCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 200.00	
New Snow Fence (800 ft.)		\$ 180.00
Pegs		10.00
Balance in General Treasury		10.00
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\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	

**STREET LIGHTING**

Town Appropriation	\$ 600.00	
Reserve Fund	33.34	
Street Lights (26)		\$ 633.34
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\$ 633.34	\$ 633.34	

**ROAD MACHINERY EARNINGS - 1959**

Equipment	Rate per Hr.	Earnings
#1 F-250 Pick-up Truck	\$ .50	\$ 417.50
#2 R-190 Dump Truck	2.00	1,961.00
#3 F-800 Dump Truck	2.00	2,649.00



#4 Fordson Major Tractor Loader	1.50	789.75
#5 Cletrac	2.00	837.50
#6 Austin-Western Power Grader	4.00	1,580.00
#7 Tailgate Sander	.50	96.00
#8 Automatic Sander	1.00	302.00
#9 Power Saw	.50	84.50
#10 Street Sweeper	1.00	35.00
#11 Tow Scraper	.50	1.00
#13 Brush Saws	.50	123.00
Surplus Property		7.50
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		\$ 8,883.75
Transfer to 1959 Machinery Maintenance at Special Meeting (10-13-59)		1,500.00
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Balance in Machinery Earnings Fund		\$ 7,383.75

## School Department Expenditures

### SCHOOLS — Operation, Maintenance, Tuition, etc.

Town Appropriation	\$ 29,742.00	
Expended		\$ 27,138.58
(See School Committee Report)		
Balance in General Treasury		2,603.42
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	\$ 29,742.00	\$ 29,742.00

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Town Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	
Site Survey		\$ 600.00
Site Appraisal		100.00
Printing & Postage		16.00
Telephone Expense		2.37
Balance carried forward to 1-1-60		4,281.63
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	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

**REGIONAL SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Town Appropriation	\$	25.00		
No Expenditures				.00
Balance in General Treasury				25.00
	\$	25.00	\$	25.00

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**Health Department Expenditures****BOARD OF HEALTH**

Town Appropriation	\$	350.00		
Reserve Fund		108.95		
Health Agent - Sanitarian			\$	190.60
Public Dump Maintenance				100.05
Well-Child Clinic				43.12
Aerial Insect Control				108.33
Health Association Dues				6.00
Supplies				10.35
	\$	458.95	\$	458.95

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**HEALTH DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION**

Town Appropriation	\$	920.00		
West. Frank. Public Health District			\$	920.00
	\$	920.00	\$	920.00

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## Rowe Town Library Expenditures

### LIBRARY OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	\$ 800.00		
Librarian's Salary		\$ 312.00	
Books Purchased		82.75	
Magazine Subscriptions		26.58	
Heating Fuel Oil		155.39	
Electricity		30.66	
Building Repairs		5.00	
Janitor Service		55.75	
Supplies		103.17	
Balance in General Treasury		28.70	
	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	

### LIBRARY WATER FACILITIES

Town Appropriation	\$ 390.00		
No Expenditures			.00
Balance carried forward to 1-1-60		\$ 390.00	
	\$ 390.00	\$ 390.00	

### MOTION PICTURE SERIES

Town Appropriation	\$ 300.00		
Expended		\$ 297.57	
Balance in General Treasury		2.43	
	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00	

### LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS AND GIFTS

Total Sum Available 1-1-59	\$ 751.91		
Income for 1959	68.67		
From Reserved Smith Fund:			
Purchase of Book Case		\$ 73.89	
Librarian's Salary		23.00	
Total Sum Available 1-1-60		723.69	
	\$ 820.58	\$ 820.58	

## Charities

### WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$	160.00		
Western Franklin Welfare District			\$	160.00
	\$	160.00	\$	160.00

### WELFARE — All Categories

Town Appropriation	\$	9,000.00		
Federal Grant Balances 1-1-59				
Aid to Dependent Children		616.04		
Disability Assistance		78.88		
Old Age Assistance		252.61		
Federal Grants Received in 1959				
Disability Assistance		1,315.93		
Old Age Assistance		3,486.00		
Aid Granted:				
Disability Assistance				
Town Account			\$	2,423.49
Federal Grant				1,244.10
Old Age Assistance				
Town Account				5,875.02
Federal Grant				3,272.41
General Relief				
Town Account				230.00
Federal Grant Bal. forward to 1-1-60				
Aid to Dependent Children				616.04
Disability Assistance				150.71
Old Age Assistance				466.20
Balance of Town Account				
in General Treasury				471.49
	\$	14,749.46	\$	14,749.46

### VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER - ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$	292.50		
W. Franklin Vet. Service Center			\$	292.50
	\$	292.50	\$	292.50

**VETERANS' BENEFITS**

Town Appropriation	\$	100.00	
No Expenditures			.00
Balance in General Treasury			100.00
	\$	100.00	\$ 100.00

**Protection of Persons and Property****FIRE DEPARTMENT - OPERATION & MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$	900.00	
Special Meeting (10-13-59)		200.00	
Equipment Maintenance			\$ 453.56
Station House Maintenance			11.50
Red-phone Alarm System			273.00
Electricity			85.74
Association Dues			16.00
Gasoline			19.45
New Equipment			187.25
Misc. Expenses			23.00
Balance in General Treasury			30.50
	\$	1,100.00	\$ 1,100.00

**FOREST FIRES**

Town Appropriation	\$	250.00	
Special Meeting (10-13-59)		900.00	
Payroll (Negus Mt. — 4-16-59)			\$ 204.53
Payroll (Leshure Rd. — 4-21 & 23-59)			36.75
Payroll (Hoosac Tunnel — 5-11-59)			43.50
Payroll (Negus Mt. — (5-14-59)			820.51
Balance in General Treasury			44.71
	\$	1,150.00	\$ 1,150.00



**WATER HOLES**

Town Appropriation	\$	200.00		
Water Hole Construction & Maint			\$	139.26
Balance in General Treasury				60.74
	\$	200.00	\$	200.00

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Town Appropriation	\$	150.00		
Association Dues			\$	5.00
Equipment				99.12
Balance in General Treasury				45.88
	\$	150.00	\$	150.00

**CIVIL DEFENSE**

Town Appropriation	\$	200.00		
Director's Mileage			\$	26.00
Supplies				39.01
Balance in General Treasury				134.99
	\$	200.00	\$	200.00

**Recreation****PELHAM LAKE PARK**

Town Appropriation	\$	1,300.00		
Returned Check		7.65		
Mass. Park Assoc. Dues			\$	3.00
Swimming Classes				44.64
Labor (Brush, etc.)				180.65
Sand and Gravel				552.15
Supplies				75.98

Carried Forward to 1-1-60 (P. W. Brown Memorial)		300.00	
Balance in General Treasury		151.23	
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	\$ 1,307.65	\$	1,307.65

#### **OLD HOME DAY CELEBRATION**

Town Appropriation	\$ 300.00		
Fire Works Display		\$	300.00
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	\$ 300.00	\$	300.00

#### **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Town Appropriation	\$ 50.00		
Purchase of Gifts		\$	43.91
Balance in General Treasury			6.09
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	\$ 50.00	\$	50.00

### **Miscellaneous Expenditures**

#### **CEMETERIES — Maintenance**

Town Appropriation	\$ 450.00		
Labor		\$	80.00
Balance in General Treasury			370.00
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	\$ 450.00	\$	450.00

#### **PUBLICATION OF TOWN HISTORY**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,500.00		
No Expenditures			.00
Balance carried forward to 1-1-60		\$	1,500.00
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	\$ 1,500.00	\$	1,500.00

**STATE AND COUNTY TAXES**

State Treasurer (Parks & Reservations)	\$	225.59	
State Treasurer (Auditing Town Accounts)		495.34	
County Treasurer (Dog License Receipts)		58.50	
County Treasurer (County Tax)		4,517.09	
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	\$	5,296.52	

**DEBTS OF A PREVIOUS YEAR**

Town Appropriation	\$	175.67	
Stoddard, Ball, Bartlett & Trudel			\$ 175.67
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	\$	175.67	\$ 175.67

**COLLECTOR'S DEMAND FEES**

Demand Fees	\$	29.70	
Collector, A. G. Bond			\$ 29.70
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	\$	29.70	\$ 29.70

**EMPLOYEES' WITHHOLDING TAXES**

Payroll Deductions	\$	3,785.81	
Director of Internal Revenue			\$ 3,512.53
Commonwealth of Mass.			265.83
Service Charge Retained			7.45
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	\$	3,785.81	\$ 3,785.81

**EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND**

Town Appropriation	\$	1,059.69	
Employees Contributions		1,290.33	
Frank. Co. Retirement System			\$ 2,350.02
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	\$	2,350.02	\$ 2,350.02

**TAX ABATEMENTS**

Three Abatements for 1958 M. V. Excise	\$	17.50	
Five Abatements for 1959 M. V. Excise		20.84	
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	\$	38.34	

**LOANS**

Note #65 High. Reimbursement	\$ 20,000.00	
Note #66 Anticipation of Taxes	15,000.00	
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.		\$ 20,000.00
Shelburne Falls National Bank		15,000.00
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	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00

**RESERVE FUND**

Town Appropriation from overlay	\$ 1,000.00	
Bonds and Insurance		\$ 18.75
Contingent		144.55
Town Hall		39.66
Machinery Maintenance		33.03
Highway Dept. — New Equipment		16.55
Chapter 81 - Maintenance		.92
Chapter 90 - Construction		1.12
Special Roads		.06
Winter Roads		.36
Street Lights		33.34
Board of Health		108.95
Balance to Overlay Surplus		602.71
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

**Town Auditor's Report**

January 20, 1960

I have examined the reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1959 and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES E. PIERCE

Auditor

## Recapitulation of Accounts - 1959

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### ADMINISTRATION

Administration	\$ 1,119.65
Bonds and Insurance	3,218.75
Contingent	944.55
Town Hall	989.66
Officers Salaries	3,185.84
Officers' Expenses	184.80

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Machinery Maintenance	9,644.56
New Equipment	11,916.55
Employees' Vacation Pay	776.00

### HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, ETC.

Chapter 81 Maintenance	12,600.92
Chapter 90 Construction	15,001.12
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,500.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance (Special)	2,500.00
Special Road Account	8,000.06
Special Roadside Maintenance	4,860.39
Bridge and Guard Rail	414.33
Town Account	1,130.73
Winter Roads	12,000.36
Snow Fence	190.00
Street Lighting	633.34

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Schools - Operation and Maintenance	27,138.58
Elementary School Planning Committee	718.37

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health	458.95
Health District Administration	920.00

### CHARITIES

Welfare District Administration	160.00
Welfare Granted - All categories	13,045.02
Veterans' Service Center	292.50



## PROTECTION

Fire Dept. - Operation and Maintenance	1,069.50
Forest Fires	1,105.29
Water Holes	139.26
Police Department	104.12
Civil Defense	96.01

## LIBRARY

Library Operation and Maintenance	771.30
Motion Picture Series	297.57
Trust Funds and Gifts	96.89

## RECREATION

Pelham Lake Park	856.42
Old Home Day Celebration	300.00
Community Christmas Party	43.91

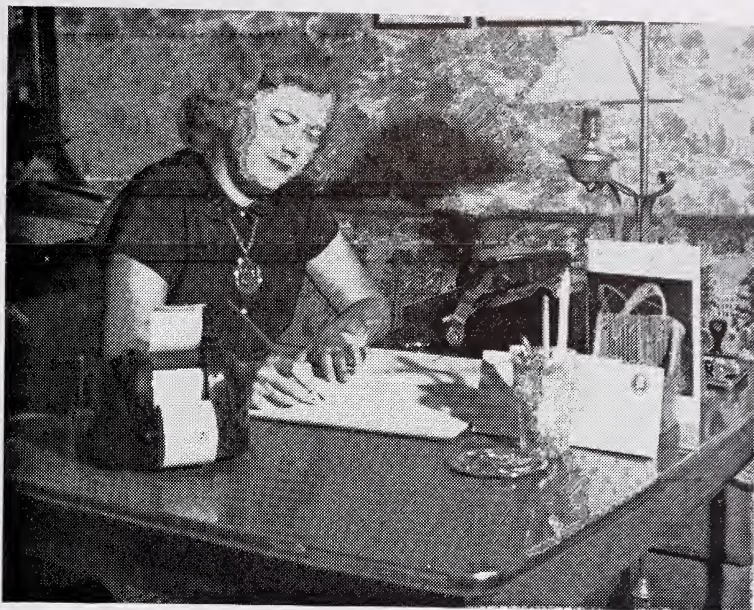
## MISCELLANEOUS

Cemeteries - Maintenance	80.00
State and County Taxes	5,296.52
Debts of Previous Year	175.67
Collector's Demand Fees	29.70
Employees' Withholding Taxes	3,778.36
Employees' Retirement Fund	2,350.02
Tax Abatements	38.34
Loan Repayments	35,000.00

## TOTAL OF SELECTMEN'S WARRANTS

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\$188,142.91



**TOWN TREASURER**  
**Florence M. Bjork**

## **Town Treasurer's Report**

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### **RECEIPTS**

<b>CASH ON HAND January 1, 1959</b>	<b>\$ 35,378.47</b>
<b>COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS:</b>	
Agric.-Livestock Disease Control	12.50
Corporation Tax, Business	3,494.71
Income Tax	4,499.67
Meals Tax, O.A.A.	271.09
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes	166.74
<b>COUNTY OF FRANKLIN:</b>	
Dog License Refund (1958)	46.80
Wildcat Bounty Reimbursements (3)	30.00
<b>DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS:</b>	
Dog Officer	1.00

## Health Agent:

Oleo License	\$ .50	
Camp License	.50	
Store Milk Licenses (2)	1.00	
Dealer's Milk Licenses (2)	1.00	
		<hr/> 3.00

## Librarian:

Fines for 1959		7.76
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## Sealer of Weights &amp; Measures:

W. W. Bjork		2.50
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## Town Clerk:

Dog License Receipts		58.50
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## Selectmen:

Innkeeper's License - Rainbow Hill		1.00
Peddler's License (1958) - A. Amidon		2.00

## Pistol Licenses:

R. E. Shumway	\$ 2.00	
Mary Sibley	2.00	
E. Veber, Jr.	2.00	
George Veber	2.00	
		<hr/> 8.00

Rental of Town Farm Pasture to C. S. Hall	25.00
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## Town Hall Rental:

Irene Veber	\$ 3.00	
Betty Scrivens	3.00	
Anne G. Bond	8.00	
Rowe Community Baptist Church	3.00	
Rowe Baptist Sunday School	6.00	
Rowe Community Club	12.00	
Rowe Historical Society	6.00	
Rowe Grange (1958)	60.00	
Rowe Grange (1959)	60.00	
Ladies Auxiliary (RVFA)	3.00	
Unitarian Rowe Camp	48.00	
		<hr/> 212.00

**HIGHWAYS:**

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

## Chapter 81

Maint. (1958) #6660	\$ 7,963.31
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## Chapter 81

Maint. (1959) #6842	1,152.23
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## Chapter 90

Const. (1958) #18358	22,000.00
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Chapter 90		
Const. (1959) #18782	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 36,115.54
County of Franklin:		
Chapter 90		
Const. (1958) #18358		4,000.00
Highway Reimbursement Loan		
(Note #67)		20,020.00
Machinery Earnings:		
Road Accounts	\$ 8,836.25	
Town of Monroe	40.00	
G. C. Andognini	7.50	
	<hr/>	8,883.75
Town Account:		
Reimbursement from Stone & Webster		136.60
<b>PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS:</b>		
Federal Withholding Taxes		3,512.53
State Withholding Taxes		273.28
County of Franklin Retirement Sys.		1,290.33
County of Franklin Group Ins.		63.40
<b>SAVINGS a/c INTEREST:</b>		
Franklin Savings Instit.	\$ 162.50	
Franklin Savings Instit.		
(School Lunch Fund)	.81	
Shelburne Falls Savings Bank	15.00	
Worcester Fed. Svgs. & Loan Assn.	175.00	
	<hr/>	353.31
<b>SCHOOLS:</b>		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
School Aid - Chapter 70	\$ 816.45	
Transportation of Pupils	6,898.46	
Vocational Education (1958)	475.50	
Aetna Casualty & Surety Co.		
Damage to School Fence	5.35	
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<b>TAXES:</b>		
1954 - Real Estate	\$ 2.60	
Interest - Taxes	.56	
1955 - Real Estate	2.70	
Interest - Taxes	.48	
1956 - Personal Property	51.98	

	Real Estate	58.52	
	Interest - Taxes	10.37	
	Charges & Fees	3.00	
1957 -	Poll Tax	2.00	
	Personal Property	14.94	
	Real Estate	156.89	
	M. V. & Trailer Excise	145.70	
	Interest - Taxes	16.40	
	Charges & Fees	6.00	
1958 -	Poll Tax	6.00	
	Personal Property	32.55	
	Real Estate	411.70	
	M. V. & Trailer Excise	384.61	
	Interest - Taxes	7.04	
	Charges & Fees	13.00	
1959 -	Poll Tax	84.00	
	Personal Property	18,358.95	
	Real Estate	66,038.27	
	M. V. & Trailer Excise	1,794.20	
	Farm Animal Excise	26.88	
	Interest - Taxes	1.69	
	Charges & Fees	7.70	
		<hr/>	87,638.73

**TRUST FUND INCOME:**

Preserved Smith Library Fund Income	40.00
Charles Wells Library Fund Interest	15.63

**WELFARE:**

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Disability Assistance		
Federal Grants	\$ 1,315.93	
State Grants	798.87	
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Old Age Assistance		
Federal Grants	\$ 3,486.00	
State Grants	3,896.12	
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Western Franklin Welfare District		
Postage (1958)		8.17
Postage (1959)		13.65
Reimbursement - Disability Assist.		660.48

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Tax Anticipation Loan (Note #66)	15,000.63
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Treasurer's Tax Title Foreclosure Sale	474.94
Refund from A. L. Avery & Son	7.65
Reimbursement from B & M R.R. for Forest Fires	1,016.04
Use of Fire Dept. equipment for Forest Fires	60.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$206,119.61</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS AND CASH ON HAND Dec. 31, 1958</b>	<b>\$241,498.08</b>

### PAYMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	\$188,142.91
Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1959	53,355.17
	<hr/> \$241,498.08

### TREAS. TAX TITLE FORECLOSURE SALE

Property Assessed to:	Prev. Yrs. Taxes	1959 Taxes	Total Amount
* James A. Galbraith & Adora G. Galbraith	\$322.00	\$32.76	\$354.76
**Arthur W. Farrington, Deceased	124.80	13.35	138.15

\*Property assessed to James A. Galbraith & Adora G. Galbraith was sold at public auction on October 30, 1959 to Everett E. Freyenhagen & Eleanor E. Freyenhagen, Bernardston, Mass. for redemption cost of \$474.94.

\*\*Property assessed to Arthur W. Farrington, Deceased was deeded to the Town of Rowe since no bid was received at the sale of October 30, 1959 nor adjourned sale of November 6, 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. BJORK  
Town Treasurer

# TREASURER'S REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

TRUST FUND	Balance, 1-1-59		1959		Balance, 12-31-59	
	Svgs. Act.	Gen. Treas.	Income	Expend.	Svgs. Act.	Gen. Treas.
Post-War Rehabilitation	14,304.46		\$468.69		\$14,773.15	
Preserved Smith Library (Kentucky Central Railway \$1000 Bond)		\$202.72	40.00	\$96.89		145.83
Foster Donation	260.13	21.15	8.52		268.65	21.15
Charles Wells Library	500.00	134.58	15.63		500.00	150.21
Library Gift Fund	414.61		13.04		427.65	
Charles Wells Cemetery	249.76		7.85		257.61	
Abbott White Cemetery	262.06		8.24		270.30	
Cemetery Perpetual Care		34.58				34.58

Respectfully submitted,  
**FLORENCE M. BJORK**  
 Town Treasurer

## Summary of the Town Meeting Action

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### ANNUAL MEETING — FEBRUARY 2, 1959

- Article 1. Accepted the Annual Reports of the Town Officers and Committees.
- Article 2. Chose all Officers not on the ballot.
- Article 3. Voted to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1959.
- Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate \$65,792.00 to defray routine charges, expenses and outlays of the several town department for the year.
- Article 5. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 and to appropriate from available funds \$6,000.00 for the purchase of an all-wheel-drive dump truck.  
Voted not to purchase a Chemical Roadside Sprayer.  
Voted to raise and appropriate \$900.00 for the purchase of a street sweeper.
- Article 6. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 and to transfer the 1958 Road Machinery Fund of \$6,111.53 to the 1959 Machinery Maintenance Account.
- Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,600.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways.
- Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate \$6,000.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction.
- Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.
- Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 for "Special Road Account".
- Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for Roadside Maintenance.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate \$175.67 for a bill of a previous year.

Article 13. Voted to transfer \$1,000.00 from overlay surplus to the Reserve Fund.

Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 and appoint a School Planning Committee for the purpose of obtaining preliminary plans, surveys, and costs of new construction and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building.

Article 15. No Action taken.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — OCTOBER 13, 1959

Article 1. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$900.00 for Forest Fire Account.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$200.00 for the Fire Department Account.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$2,000.00 for Winter Roads.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate from 1959 Machinery Earnings Fund \$1,500.00 for Machinery Maintenance Account.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — DECEMBER 15, 1959

Article 1. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$700.00 for the Bonds and Insurance Account.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$200.00 for the Administration Account.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$150.00 for the Town Hall Account.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$1,000.00 for the Machinery Maintenance Account.

# Report of the Budget Committee

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1960

Account	Expended 1957	Expended 1958	Expended 1959	Recomm. 1960
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
Administration	\$ 793.91	\$ 951.35	\$ 1,119.65	\$ 1,000.00
Bonds & Insurance	2,536.55	2,540.51	3,218.75	3,000.00
Contingent	676.88	493.53	944.55	1,000.00
Town Hall	851.11	803.26	989.66	1,100.00
Officers' Salaries	3,030.00	3,168.49	3,185.84	3,675.00
Officers' Expenses	150.05	194.35	184.80	200.00
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>				
Employees' Vacation Pay	304.00	384.00	776.00	800.00
Bridge & Guard Rail	502.77	501.25	414.33	750.00
Town Account	1,000.09	852.10	1,130.73	1,000.00
Winter Roads	7,246.19	11,800.34	12,000.36	12,000.00
Snow Fence	191.64	200.00	190.00	200.00
Street Lighting	324.00	459.99	633.34	700.00
<b>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b>				
Schools, Operation, etc.	21,157.86	23,217.49	27,138.58	37,339.25
Regional Planning Comm.	.00	.00	.00	25.00
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>				
Board of Health	197.67	297.15	458.95	1,000.00
<b>CHARITIES</b>				
Welfare - All categories	8,816.39	6,432.17	8,528.51	9,500.00
Veterans' Benefits	114.78	.00	.00	100.00
<b>PROTECTION</b>				
Fire Dept. Operation	1,120.41	914.04	1,069.50	1,000.00
Forest Fires	29.90	153.24	1,105.29	250.00
Water Holes	.00	184.50	139.26	200.00
Police Dept.	34.03	101.00	104.12	150.00
Civil Defense	1.35	36.19	65.01	50.00
Insect Pest Control	.00	.00	.00	110.00
Dutch Elm Disease Cont.	.00	.00	.00	400.00
<b>LIBRARY</b>				
Library, Operation	590.55	649.02	771.30	1,000.00
<b>RECREATION</b>				
Pelham Lake Park	736.08	999.85	856.42	1,000.00
Old Home Day Celeb.	300.00	300.00	300.00	400.00
Motion Picture Series	199.47	248.63	297.57	400.00
Comm. Christmas Party	49.50	49.02	43.91	100.00
<b>CEMETERIES</b>				
Cemetery Care	431.21	329.50	80.00	450.00
	\$51,386.39	\$56,260.88	\$65,746.43	\$78,899.25

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. WILLIAMS  
J. HENRY STANFORD  
EDWARD C. HENDERSON  
GERALD A. TRUESDELL  
FLORENCE M. BJORK

ARVON PALMER  
HOWARD O. TRUESDELL  
LUCY J. AVERY  
JOHN E. BOND  
MYRON A. NEWTON





**ELECTION WORKERS**

## **Annual Meeting Warrant**

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FRANKLIN, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Rowe:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowe, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rowe on MONDAY, the FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officials:

Clerk for one (1) year  
Treasurer for one (1) year  
Selectman for Three (3) years  
School Committee Member for three (3) years  
Assessor for three (3) years  
Library Trustee for three (3) years

Park Commissioner for three (3) years  
 Cemetery Committee Member for three (3) years  
 Budget Committee Member for three (3) years  
 Auditor for (1) year  
 Tree Warden for one (1) year  
 Constable for one (1) year

For the prpose of electing officials by ballot the polls will open at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed at 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

And in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are further directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowe, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rowe on Monday, the first day of February next, at 11:30 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To act on the report of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To choose all necessary Officers not elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury to pay interest and maturing debt, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several Town Departments for the ensuing year.

**Recommended Vote:** That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several specific purposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the Officer, Board or Committee concerned, as recommended by the Budget Committee:

\$1,000.00	Administration
3,000.00	Bonds and Insurance
1,000.00	Contingent
1,100.00	Town Hall
3,675.00	Town Officers' Salaries
\$900.00	Selectmen
300.00	School Committee
510.00	Assessors
750.00	Treasurer
250.00	Tax Collector
200.00	Town Clerk
500.00	Selectmen's Clerk
100.00	Assessors' Clerk
100.00	Fire Chief
20.00	Moderator
25.00	Animal Inspector
10.00	Meat Inspector
5.00	Sealer, Wgts. & Meas.
5.00	Auditor
200.00	Town Officers Expenses
800.00	Highway Employees' Vacation Pay
750.00	Bridge and Guard Rail
1,000.00	Town Account
12,000.00	Winter Roads
200.00	Snow Fence
700.00	Street Lighting
37,339.25	Schools
25.00	Regional School Planning Committee
1,000.00	Board of Health
9,500.00	Welfare — All Categories
100.00	Veterans' Benefits
1,000.00	Fire Department
250.00	Forest Fires
200.00	Water Holes
150.00	Police Department
50.00	Civil Defense
110.00	Insect Pest Control
400.00	Dutch Elm Disease Control
1,000.00	Library
1,000.00	Pelham Lake Park
400.00	Old Home Day Celebration
400.00	Motion Picture Series
100.00	Community Christmas Party
450.00	Cemeteries

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to purchase new equipment for the Highway Department and to determine whether the town will appropriate money therefor, to be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available funds in the treasury or by borrowings under Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase on behalf of the town an all-wheel-drive front end loader (Payloader H-50 or equivalent) and that the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated from available funds in the treasury therefor, and, in addition, that the sum of \$7,500.00 be raised and appropriated therefor.

**Recommended Vote:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase in behalf of the town a pick-up truck and that a sum of \$1,650.00 be raised and appropriated therefor.

**Recommended Vote:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase in behalf of the town two-way radio equipment and that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated from available funds in the treasury, therefor.

**Recommended Vote:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase in behalf of the town a road rake (York RB or equivalent) and that the sum of \$700.00 be appropriated from available funds in the treasury therefor.

**Recommended Vote:** That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase in behalf of the town a dump truck (International R-194 or equivalent) and that the sum of \$7,000.00 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to transfer the 1959 Road Machinery Earnings Fund of \$7,383.75 to the 1960 Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the sum of \$1,600.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of



Chapter 81 Highways.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Construction; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for "Special Road Account"; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated for "Special Road Account".

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Roadside Maintenance; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Roadside Maintenance.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to remove the old garage and storage shed located at the rear of the town hall and to build a storage shed adjacent to the Highway Department garage and to appropriate a sum of money therefor; or take any action in relation thereto.

**Recommended Vote:** That the building located at the rear of the town hall be dismantled and that the salvageable materials be used as much as possible in constructing a storage shed adjacent to the Highway Department Garage and that the sum of \$2,500.00 be appropriated from available funds in the treasury therefor.



- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for installing a larger roll-up door at the Fire Station; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the installation of water, plumbing facilities and repairs at the Rowe Town Library; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of a new Motion Picture Projector for the Town Hall; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen concerning the disposition of the old World War I monument located in front of the town hall; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen to have important town records Micro-filmed and to raise and appropriate \$500.00 therefor; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 18. To see if the town will vote to establish a special "Municipal Study Committee" of seven members appointed by the town meeting, to investigate and make recommendations on improving the services and functions of the town, and to report to the town at, or before, the next annual meeting.
- Article 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,000.00 from Overlay Surplus to the 1960 Reserve Fund.
- Article 20. To transact any other business of a lawful and pertinent nature that may come before this meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Rowe Post Office and at the Town Hall in said Rowe, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS

J. HENRY STANFORD

EDWARD C. HENDERSON

Selectmen of Rowe



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TOWN MEETING DINNER

Dinner will be served by Rowe Grange at 12:30 P. M.

Price 99c

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**SPECIMEN BALLOT**  
for  
**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**  
Monday, February 1, 1960

**To Vote for a Person Mark a Cross X in the Square at Right of Name**

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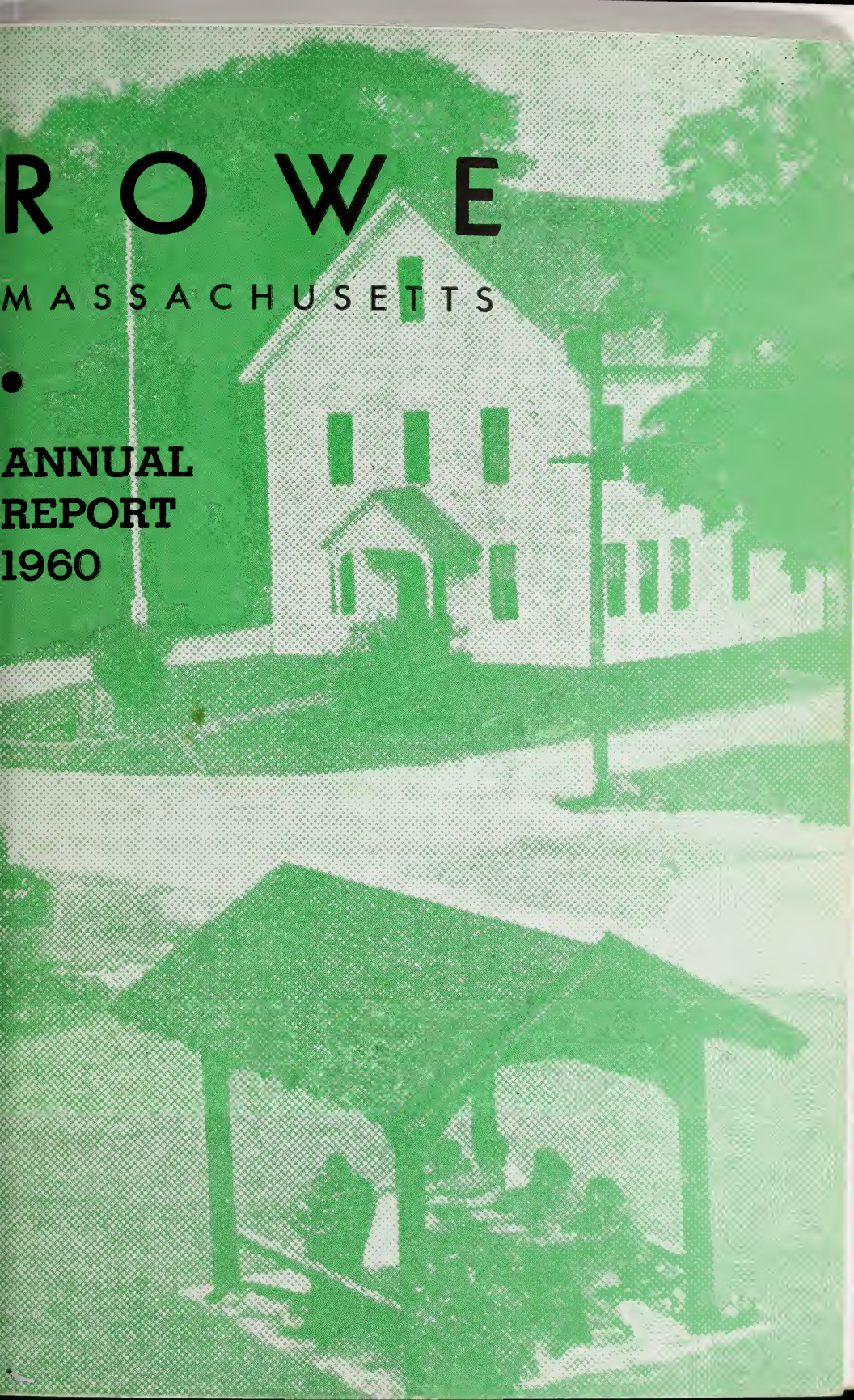




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**ANNUAL  
REPORT  
1960**







ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SIXTH  
**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF THE  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
OF THE  
**Town of Rowe**  
**Massachusetts**



FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
**December 31, 1960**

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**U. S. SENATORS**

**LEVERETT SALTONSTALL**  
Dover

**JOHN F. KENNEDY**  
Boston

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**U. S. REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 1**

**SILVIO O. CONTE**  
Pittsfield

\* \* \* \*

**STATE SENATOR**

**RALPH C. MAHAR, Orange**

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**REPRESENTATIVE GENERAL COURT  
FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT 1**

**PHILLIP F. WHITMORE, Sunderland**

\* \* \* \*

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**HARRY KOCH, Shelburne**  
**FRANK H. REED, Greenfield**  
**DELBERT WITTY, Orange**

## Elected Town Officers - 1960

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### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John H. Williams, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1962
G. C. Andognini, Jr.	Term expires 1963

### BOARD OF HEALTH

John H. Williams	Term expires 1961
Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1962
G. C. Andognini, Jr., Chairman	Term expires 1963

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

John H. Williams	Term expires 1961
Edward C. Henderson, Chairman	Term expires 1962
G. C. Andognini, Jr.	Term expires 1963

### TOWN CLERK

Gerald A. Truesdell	Term expires 1961
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### TOWN TREASURER

Florence M. Bjork	Term expires 1961
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### COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Anne G. Bond	Term expires 1962
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### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Herbert H. Fitzroy, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Howard O. Truesdell	Term expires 1962
Robert D. Shumway	Term expires 1963

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Bertha E. Chapin	Term expires 1961
Betty Scrivens	Term expires 1962
Arvon G. Palmer, Chairman	Term expires 1963

### MODERATOR

Gerald A. Truesdell	Term expires 1962
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**LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Edward C. Henderson	Term expires 1961
Edith M. Kloetzle	Term expires 1962
Maude E. Davenport, Chairman	Term expires 1963

**PARK COMMISSIONERS**

Kenneth Soule, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Charles D. Avery	Term expires 1962
John H. Williams	Term expires 1963

**CEMETERY COMMITTEE**

John E. Bond, Chairman	Term expires 1961
Robert G. Swenson	Term expires 1962
Clifford W. Sibley	Term expires 1963

**AUDITOR**

Frances E. Pierce	Term expires 1961
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**TREE WARDEN**

Samuel Murray	Term expires 1961
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**CONSTABLE**

Samuel Murray	Term expires 1961
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**BUDGET COMMITTEE**

John H. Williams	Board of Selectmen
G. C. Andognini, Jr.	Board of Health
Edward C. Henderson	Board of Public Welfare
Arvon G. Palmer	School Committee
Herbert H. Fitzroy	Board of Assessors
Florence M. Bjork	Town Treasurer
Gerald A. Truesdell	Town Clerk
Lucy J. Avery	Term expires 1961
Myron A. Newton	Term expires 1962
Walter A. Bates	Term expires 1963

## Appointed Town Officers

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### **SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Samuel Murray

### **TOWN COUNSEL**

Atty. Donald T. Hillier

### **FIRE CHIEF**

J. Henry Stanford

### **CHIEF OF POLICE**

John H. Williams

### **POLICE OFFICERS**

G. C. Andognini, Jr.

Samuel Murray

Glenn A. Reed

### **ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

Mary E. Sibley

John E. Bond

Edith M. Kloetzle

Myron A. Newton

Efford H. Pierce, Chairman

Term expires 1961

Term expires 1962

Term expires 1963

Term expires 1964

Term expires 1965

### **REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Arvon G. Palmer

John B. Randazza

John H. Williams

### **REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

Gerald A. Truesdell

Dorothy N. Stevens

Anne G. Bond

Efford H. Pierce

### **PUBLIC WELFARE AGENT**

Phyllis L. Heist



**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

Dorothy Morehouse, R. N.

**HEALTH AGENT AND SANITARIAN**

John A. Brickett, R. S.

**NURSING COMMITTEE**

Frances E. Pierce, R. N.

Alice V. Truesdell, R. N.

Lucy J. Avery

Jeanette L. Randazza, R. N.

**LIBRARIAN**

Dorothy N. Stevens

**FOREST FIRE WARDEN**

Howard O. Truesdell

**DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE**

Anne G. Bond

**DOG OFFICER**

Samuel Murray

**ANIMAL AND MEAT INSPECTOR**

Richard E. Shumway

**SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

Samuel Murray

**TOWN OFFICERS' ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK**

Harriet B. Cornish (Selectmen) Resigned November 1, 1960

M. Arlene Andognini (Selectmen)

Anne G. Bond (Assessors)

**MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER**

Robert G. Swenson

Gerald A. Truesdell

Ellsworth E. Palmer

**FENCE VIEWERS**

Francis M. Jackman

Newell E. Morton

Richard E. Shumway

**FIELD DRIVERS**

Samuel Murray  
 James H. Williams  
 Charles D. Avery

**POUNDKEEPER**

Richard E. Shumway

**SUPERINTENDENT OF INSECT CONTROL  
 AND DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL**

Henry Sifton

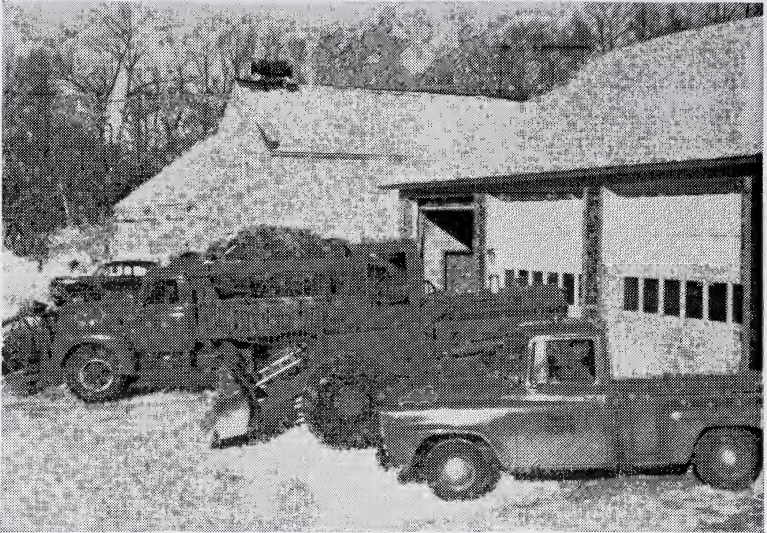
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## **Jury List - 1961**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>On List Since</b>
Edward C. Henderson	Retired	Jan. 1959
John E. Bond	Salesman	Jan. 1960
Helen L. Tryon	Innkeeper	Jan. 1960
J. Henry Stanford	Custodian	Jan. 1960
Shirley E. Miller	Housewife	Jan. 1961
Walter A. Bates	Retired	Jan. 1961

**NAMES DRAWN IN 1960**

4/5/60 Traverse Jury		
Florence M. Bjork	Treasurer	Jan. 1960
8/9/60 Traverse Jury		
Robert D. Shumway	Papermaker	Jan. 1960



Some of the Highway Department Equipment in front of new storage building — Fire Station and Highway Dept. Garage in background.

## Report of the Board of Selectmen

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To the Townspeople of Rowe:

The biggest news of 1960 for Rowe citizens was the town meeting decision to construct a new elementary school at a cost of \$565,000.00. Yankee Atomic Electric Company, which made the new school possible, went "critical" and started producing electricity—one of the first commercial Atomic plants in operation in the country. Also in 1960 John F. Kennedy of Boston was elected President of the United States.

Rowe began the new decade with a record-breaking reduction in the tax rate. In spite of the fact that the town expenditures reached a record high of \$264,460.39 the 1960 rate of \$24.00 was the lowest in the Commonwealth. Of course the new valuation of the Yankee Atomic plant produced the low rate and we might mention that prior to Yankee such expenditures would require a tax rate close to \$200.00.

Highways and the operation of the Highway Department as usual commanded the most attention from the

Selectmen. We commend Superintendent of Streets Samuel Murray and his crew for their continued good work. We have received many compliments on the good condition of our roads, particularly in the wintertime.

The installation of two-way radios in the mobile highway equipment has greatly increased the efficiency of the department in all operations and especially during winter plowing and sanding. With the purchase of the Trojan Shovel-Loader the Highway Department has a piece of equipment that has exceeded the expectations of the Superintendent and the Selectmen. Although primarily for loading sand and construction work it has proven invaluable for snow plowing. This four-wheel drive machine has demonstrated the extra value of having equipment that is designed for our rugged terrain.

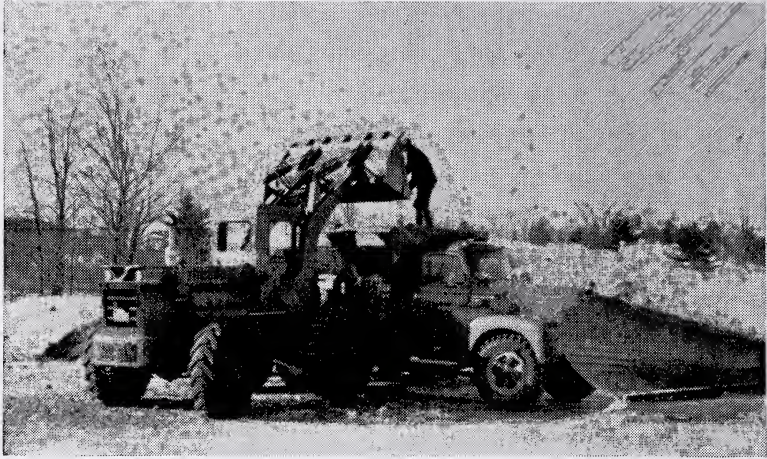
Our Austin-Western power-grader has, we believe, proved the worth of such a machine to the townspeople and its winter maintenance of Monroe Hill Road alone was worth its cost. Because our present grader is nine years old and we anticipate major repairs, we are recommending that it be replaced by a new, modern Motor-Grader.

The new storage shed for the Highway Department is almost completed and will be finished in early Spring. This building should provide adequate storage facilities for this Department for many years. The problem regarding the old shed at the rear of the town hall has not been solved and this matter will be discussed at the town meeting.

The Chapter 90 Construction Projects for 1960 linked up the hard-surface on the highway from Monroe to Charlemont. The Selectmen, however, have been very concerned about the section of Monroe Hill Road known as "Skeeter Hill". In addition to being steep and narrow the problem is complicated by the railroad tracks and the bridge crossing the Deerfield River. We have consulted with the County Commissioners and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works in an endeavor to get an improvement project started. At the present time the County Commissioners favor a giant project involving both Rowe and Monroe, with a "high bridge" over the river which would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. If this proposal is rejected by the D.P.W., a much smaller improvement project must be started.

The "Special Road Account" has been used to improve several roads. The Selectmen believe that these "secondary





**New Trojan Tractor Shovel loading sand into Automatic Sander.**

highways" may be greatly improved without cutting all trees, removing stone walls, etc., as is required for the Chapter 90 "Superhighways". The Roadside Maintenance program was again well received by the townspeople and we have received many favorable comments on the appearance of our village and roadsides.

As authorized by the special town meeting on August 4, 1960 the Selectmen signed a contract with the firm of Gordon L. Ainsworth, Civil Engineers, to provide the town with maps showing pertinent data including all property boundaries within the town limits. This will be a two-year project and should be invaluable to the Assessors in their work in addition to the use by other town departments.

The "History of Rowe" by Percy W. Brown was published by the town in cooperation with the Rowe Historical Society, Inc. Copies are available at cost from the Librarian. We were unable to begin the micro-filming of town records but expect to start this program early in 1961.

During 1960 the Selectmen issued 13 Building Permits (5 Dwelling, 1 Elementary School, 3 Garage or Barn, 2 Addition to Existing Buildings, 2 Temporary House Trailer).

We have recently been informed by the County Engineer that the Mill Pond Dam which is owned by the town will have to be replaced. This picturesque dam located in the village has become dangerous due to rotten timbers and the Selectmen would plan to replace it with rot-resistant material. An article is on the warrant for this purpose.





**Community Christmas Party**

Another article on the warrant provides for a "Stabilization Fund" in accordance with the General Laws, which will allow the town meetings to set aside funds for future emergencies or projects.

We express appreciation to the members of the "Municipal Study Committee" for the time and effort which went into their report which appears elsewhere in this annual report. Naturally some of their proposals will be rejected and some might be adopted, but the very fact of such long range planning will benefit the town of Rowe.

We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of Mrs. Harriet B. Cornish who served as Selectmen's Clerk until November 1, 1960; Mrs. Arlene Andognini new Selectmen's Clerk; John A. Brickett, Health Agent & Sanitarian; Phyllis L. Heist, Welfare Agent; Dorothy Morehouse, District Nurse; and Atty. Donald T. Hillier, Town Counsel. We wish also to acknowledge the very competent work of the Treasurer, Mrs. Florence M. Bjork.

Due to the pressure of his profession and his other commitments, Selectman Andognini has indicated his desire to resign effective January 31, 1961. His colleagues on the Board express regret at this decision. Mr. Andognini serv-

ed but one year as Selectman but his service was a credit both to himself and to the town.

And finally, we are very pleased to report that the 1959 Annual Report was awarded First Prize for Massachusetts towns under 1,000 population in the contest conducted by the University of Massachusetts. Our 1958 Report which received the Second Prize in the Massachusetts contest for that year was also awarded Second Prize in the New England States Contest for towns under 500 population.

Respectfully submitted,

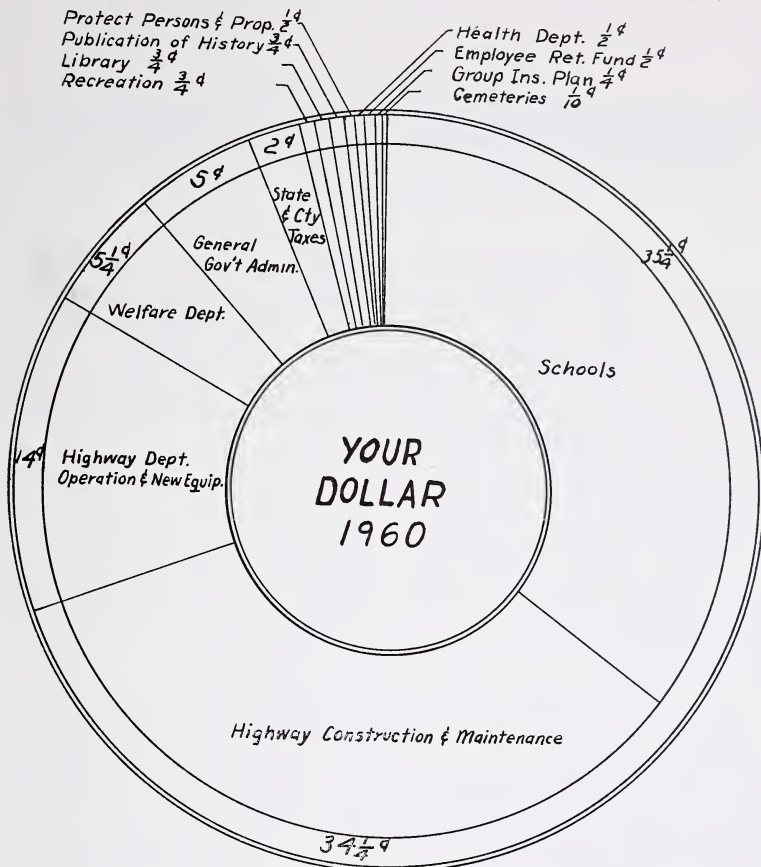
JOHN H. WILLIAMS

GIULIO C. ANDOGNINI, JR.

EDWARD C. HENDERSON

Board of Selectmen

## HOW THE TOWN DOLLAR WAS SPENT IN 1960



Department or Service	Actual Amount	Percentage of Total Expended Amt.
General Government Admin.	\$ 13,365.42	5.05%
Highway Department		
Operation & New Equipment	36,573.73	13.90%
Highway Construction & Maint.	90,469.02	34.21%
Schools	93,355.44	35.30%
Health Department	1,548.72	.59%
Welfare Department (Charities)	13,851.92	5.20%
Protection of Persons & Property	1,599.13	.60%
Library	1,944.87	.73%
Recreation	2,050.56	.77%
Cemeteries	228.25	.10%
State & County Taxes	5,577.96	2.10%
Emplpyees' Retirement Fund	1,353.27	.50%
Group Insurance Plan	827.10	.30%
Publication of Town History	1,715.00	.65%
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	\$264,460.39	100.00%

## Report of the Rowe Town Library

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Total book circulation for 1960 was 4,663. Of these 2,009 were adult fiction, 701 adult non-fiction, 1462 juvenile fiction and 491 juvenile non-fiction. This circulation is an increase of approximately one third over that of 1959. The magazine circulation was 877 and \$18.91 was collected in overdue fines. Books purchased number 26 and 36 books were received as gifts.

The Village School children are now coming to the Library one day a week with their teachers for reference work and to exchange books. Mrs. Marianna Rowe, Children's Reading Specialist, from the State Regional Library in Greenfield conducted a story hour for the younger children during the summer and a session on the use of the Library for the upper grades in October.

The 4-H groups exhibited samples of their work and awards they had won for them during National Library Week and on Old Home Day. The cooking group served refreshments which were enjoyed by the large group of visitors who came to each event. Also on display during National Library Week were illustrated book reviews by the lower grades and book jackets contributed by the upper grades from the Village School.

State Reading Certificates were awarded in June at the Village School's closing exercises to the following children. For reading and reviewing five books—Cynthia Fitzroy, Margaret Randazza, Lauren Autio, Marjorie Brown and Linda Reed. For reading and reviewing twenty books, State Honor Certificates were received by Margaret Randazza, Lauren Autio, and Linda Reed.

A three session seminar sponsored by the State Regional Library in Greenfield on the relationship of the Library to the school and the community was attended by Mrs. Maud Davenport, chairman of the Library Trustees, Mrs. Arvon Palmer, chairman of the School Committee, Mrs. Phyllis Volland, teacher in the Village School and the Librarian.

Grateful acknowledgement is made to all those friends of the Library who by their gifts of books, magazines, money,



flowers, plants and their active interest and cooperation made 1960 a successful year at the Rowe Town Library.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY N. STEVENS  
Librarian

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### BOOKS PURCHASED — 1960

#### Adult

Atkinson	By Rocking Chair Across America
Beery	Trask
Downes	Natalia
Gallico	Too Many Ghosts
Gellhorn	American Rights
Giles	Johnny Osage
Hanson	Costumes and Styles
Hawley	The Lincoln Lords
Lederer	The Ugly American
Marsh	The Easy Expert in Collecting and Restoring American Antiques
Moore	The Walk Down Main Street
Moorehead	No Room in the Ark
Pasin	Out of This World
Vining	Return to Japan

#### Juvenile

Bennett	The Secret Hiding Place
Braymer	The Walls of Windy Troy
Butterworth	The Trouble With Jenny's Ear
Callahan	Young America's Cook Book
Ets	Nine Days to Christmas
Foster	The World of Captain John Smith
Galdone	The Lemonade Trick
Krumgold	Onion John
Miller	The Goings On at Little Wishful
Paschel	The First Book of Color
Quennell	Everyday Life in Prehistoric Times
Schaefer	Old Ramon



## LIBRARY TRUSTEES REPORT

Fellow Citizens:—

We are submitting a short annual report, as the Librarian covers most of the Library's activities and the treasurer—the finances.

Water was piped into the building from the Town Hall supply before Old Home Day in July. A bubbler was also installed in the vestibule.

Due to more patronage at the Library and especially by the school children—many feel a reading room as well as rooms for modern sanitary facilities, (voted last year) should be added. We feel it would be more practical to have all of this done under one project so we are returning to the Town the balance on the special appropriation given us for this purpose. We suggest that this be acted upon at the annual meeting February 6, 1961.

Due to the higher cost of books, labor etc. we are requesting an appropriation of \$2500.00 for general operation for the ensuing year.

As in the past we thank you for your cooperation.

As Mr. Henderson retires from the Board of Trustees we, who are to continue on the staff, express our appreciation for his ever ready service to us and to the Library.

MAUD E. DAVENPORT

EDWARD C. HENDERSON

EDITH M. KLOETZLE

Library Trustees

## Report of the Fire Department

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The year 1960 has been exceptional. There were no major fires and only one of a minor nature. We were notified of some ties burning at Hoosac Tunnel and sent the truck over, but the railroad had the fire taken care of when the truck arrived. That is a record to be proud of.

Several wells were pumped out and cleaned by members of the Fire Department.

New equipment added this year were two Indian tanks, 150 ft. of 1½ in. hose and 100 ft. of 2½ in. hose.

We were called out with the oxygen equipment during the summer. It is a good feeling to know that it is available when needed.

I would like to thank the members of the Department for their support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HENRY STANFORD

Fire Chief

## Report of the Park Department

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To the Townspeople of Rowe:

Pelham Lake Park was enjoyed by many people during 1960. As the town continues its growth the recreational facilities are becoming more fully appreciated.

The swimming area, as usual, was the most popular. The improvements made in the area in the last few years do not seem adequate on a hot summer week-end. If the facilities are to be shared with our neighbors from surrounding towns the beach, the parking lot, etc., will require enlarging within a few years. Washed sand was added to the beach and some life-saving equipment was provided. The swimming area was roped off to keep boats away. Red Cross swimming classes were again sponsored and more than 40 children participated.

A boat launching ramp was constructed providing access from the main road for those who transport their boats by trailer. This ramp was hard-surfaced by the Highway Department.

The "Percy Brown Memorial" was dedicated at a ceremony on Old Home Day, July 9, 1960. The memorial consists of a large native stone with a bronze table set on the point of land just south of the causeway. This area will be further filled and landscaped and should become a beautiful tribute to the memory of the donor of our town park.

In addition to further improvement of the swimming area and picnic facilities, the Park Commissioners plan an attempt to improve the fishing for 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH SOULE

JOHN H. WILLIAMS

CHARLES D. AVERY

Park Commissioners

## **Report of the Western Franklin Veteran's Service Center**

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To the Selectmen of Rowe:

Herewith is the report of the Western Franklin Veterans' Service District and summary of Veterans' Benefits handled through this office.

Requests for service were received from nine hundred veterans and dependents during the past year. Of this number, forty-seven were applications for hospital care or outpatient treatment. Sixty-one applied for help with non-service disability or widow's pensions and supporting evidence was procured. One thousand, eighty-four copies of records and vital statistics were made for one hundred and fifty-nine requests.

Thirty-one cases received assistance under Chapter 115, the Veterans' Benefits public assistance program of the Commonwealth. Eighty-seven persons were included in these cases and a total of \$23,342.30 was paid during 1960. Towns will receive reimbursement from the State of fifty per cent (50%) in settled cases and full reimbursement in State settled cases.

The total expense of District Administration, as shown on our monthly warrants, was \$5899.22.

The cooperation of neighboring Veterans' Agents and the contact office of the Veterans' Administration has been most helpful in handling claims and procuring necessary evidence.

The continued interest and cooperation of the Town Representatives is very helpful and is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SCOTT

Director and Veterans' Agent

## Report of the Western Franklin Welfare District

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The case load has remained fairly steady as to total numbers, covering loses and gains. Our administration shows several changes as follows:

1. During August we had to run a close check on drug expenses and this continues.
2. Effective Sept. 1, 1960 all budgets were increased 5.2%, a cost of living adjustment. This excluded cases in licensed board and nursing homes.
3. The last week in November we received orders of a new category called Medical Assistance for the Aged, with effective date October 1, 1960.
4. The middle of December we received another directive to the effect all OAA cases were to have the transportation allowance increased from \$2.50 to \$4.00. That DA was to be allowed \$4.00 L.T.A. and \$2.50 for transportation, which are items new to this category. This effective January 1, 1961. The above changes have caused confusion for recipient as well as to administration, along with volumes of extra clerical work.

The following is a statistical analysis of the District's activities:

Number of applications taken	11
Number of home visits made	147
Number of office calls	13
Number of visits from State Area Representatives	11
Number of days auditors at office	21
Number of Welfare meetings attended	5
Number of visits not classified as home visits	35

	MAA	OAA	ADC	DA	GR
Rowe case load					
January 1, 1960		7	0	3	0
Cases closed		0	0	1	0
Trans. Oct. 1, 1960					
from OAA	1				
Case load Jan. 1, 1961	1	6	0	2	0



# FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance brought forward from Dec. 31, 1959	\$	854.43	
Town Appropriation:			
Charlemont		664.00	
Hawley		189.00	
Heath		252.00	
Monroe		221.00	
Rowe		252.00	
Federal Grant Administration			
District OAA		2,396.14	
District ADC		1,283.55	
District DA		407.17	
State Administration			
District OAA		1,597.42	
District ADC		855.70	
District DA		271.45	
District GR		104.46	
Withholdings:			
Federal tax		978.00	
County Retirement		333.56	
State Tax		41.76	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield		209.35	
State withholding tax fee for 1959		1.12	
State withholding tax fee for 1960		1.24	
Phyllis L. Heist, agent	\$	3,750.00	
Transportation		190.64	
Edith B. Lynch, Clerk		2,820.00	
Beda A. Langevin, Treas.		100.00	
Dr. Francis Carey, Medical Consultant		50.00	
Supplies & Communications		293.95	
Bond for Treasurer		10.00	
Town of Charlemont, rent		300.00	
Assessed share - Franklin County Retirement		344.53	
Withholdings:			
Franklin County Retirement		333.56	
Federal Tax		978.00	
State Tax		41.76	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield		209.35	
Assessing real estate		15.00	
	\$	9,436.79	

Credit Balance carried  
forward to Jan. 1, 1961

1,476.56

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\$ 10,913.35    \$ 10,913.35

Respectfully submitted,  
PHYLLIS L. HEIST,  
Director

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I hereby certify the foregoing report to be a true statement of the financial transactions of the Western Franklin Welfare District for the year 1960.

Respectfully,  
BEDA A. LANGEVIN  
Treasurer

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### 1961 BUDGET

Salary —	
Agent	\$ 4,050.00
Clerk	2,940.00
Treasurer	100.00
Telephone	150.00
Travel	225.00
Bonding Treasurer	10.00
Postage	150.00
Supplies	60.00
Miscellaneous Charges	125.00
Rent	300.00
Assessed share Franklin Co. Retirement	310.47
Medical Consultant	50.00
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Total	\$ 8,470.47

Voted at the December 12, 1960 meeting that the towns assessed share would be \$1578 and the same percentages were to be used as in 1960.

Charlemont	42%	\$	664.00
Hawley	12%		189.00
Heath	16%		252.00
Monroe	14%		221.00
Rowe	16%		252.00
Balance brought forward from 1960			1,476.56
Estimated amount to be received			
Federal			3,800.00
State			2,600.00

## **Report of the Public Health Department**

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### **REPORT OF THE HEALTH AGENT**

To: The Honorable Board of Health  
From: John A. Brickett, R.S., Agent - Sanitarian

As Agent - Sanitarian for the Board of Health of the Town of Rowe, I respectfully submit my annual report for 1960.

During 1960, one store, one food manufacturing establishment and one restaurant were inspected. All three establishments meet the health standards set by health regulations of the town.

One summer camp was inspected on several occasions. Any corrective measures necessary were taken care of immediately.

One oleomargarine, two store milk licenses and one camp license and two milk dealers licenses were issued for the year.

Eight permits to install and seven certificates of inspection were issued for individual sewage disposal installations.

Bacteriological analyses were made on ten private water supplies. I was available, on several occasions, as consultant to the Board of Health and the School Building Committee regarding health matters. The Board of Health was most active and interested in the health of the inhabitants of the Town of Rowe.

I sincerely wish to thank the residents of the town for the fine cooperation that was extended to me during 1960.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN A. BRICKETT, R.S.  
Agent - Sanitarian  
Board of Health  
Rowe, Massachusetts

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL AND DISTRICT NURSE

The Western Franklin Public Health District offers a generalized health service to all folks in Charlemont, Hawley, Heath and Rowe. The total number of home and school visits this year was 1,129.

An order from the family doctor is necessary for nursing visits except for First Aid or in an emergency.

Much time is given to school nursing especially in the fall and winter. Physical examinations by the school doctors, vision tests and weighing and measuring are done for each pupil. Parents are notified of any reportable defect. First Aid for injuries, checking for suspicious contagion or doubtful skin conditions that might spread to others and seeing that a sick child has care and gets home are some of the nurse's activities in the schools.

This is so important that I am going to say it again. A big thank you to the parents for keeping a child home with a fresh "cold" or cough. Colds spread rapidly in the class room. Care at the start may prevent a serious illness.

New type, stronger vitamin capsules are available all during the school year. Vitamins do help for better health.

A thorough, individual hearing test is given by Mrs. Beda Langevin. A failure is reported to the mother. If a parent is suspicious of a preschool child having a hearing loss and wishes to contact the nurse, a hearing test would be gladly given.

Contagious diseases were few. Known were one case of german measles in Hawley in January and a few cases of mumps in Hawley and Heath this fall.

More protection against Polio was given in June. There were 3 clinics held at the Hawlemont School. Most were for the 4th shot. The number of pupils receiving Polio vaccine were: High School 92 - Hawlemont School 143 - Heath School 48 and Rowe School 11. Total - 294.

The number attending the preschool clinic was: Charlemont 61 - Hawley 19 - Heath 24 and Rowe 10. Total 114.

As to which shots were given: 1st shots 19 - 2nd shots 11 - 3rd shots 23 and 4th shots 355. This means 408 children had more protection against Polio. From the request slips returned, many children had Polio shots by the



family doctor. So the percentage of immunized children would be very high in our Towns. Mothers, be sure that your children have had 4 shots of Polio vaccine, if possible, before next summer. See your doctor. Be wise - immunize!

How about you adults up to age 40? Polio strikes hard in adults. An adult Polio clinic, in June, was sponsored by the Heath and Rowe Granges. About 130 attended plus a few children unable to attend the school clinics. It would be very tragic for Polio to strike an adult who had no shots!

Miss Genevieve Ely, State Dental Hygienist, examined the teeth of all the pupils. A slip will go home for those who need care. There is much health education in this and in her fine peppy dental care talks in the class rooms. Save those teeth! Good food, regular brushing and regular care by the dentist help. One class room in Rowe had a returned certificate—100% care by the dentist—from every child. That's wonderful! Can't we have more?

Home visits under Infant, Preschool, Maternity and Adult Health were made to aid toward good health and the correction of defects.

The annual Well Child Conferences were held at the Hawlemont School in July. Dr. M. B. Low examined the children. Mrs. George Coombs was the nutritionist and Mrs. Robert McIntosh, Jr., the dental hygienist for most of the towns. We hope the day will come when all 4 towns can have this complete staff at their conferences. The purpose of these conferences is to "keep the well child well and to promote his best state of health now and for the future." The attendance was: Charlemont 70 - Hawley 18 Heath 31 and Rowe 21.

A modified Red Cross Home Nursing course was given to all Senior and Junior High School girls. They learned to give care and comfort to a bed patient in the home. They received certificates from the Red Cross.

To the Greenfield Health Camp went 2 girls from Heath and 2 boys from Charlemont. Making new friends and being a "bit on their own" is helpful.

A booster shot clinic to immunize for Diphtheria, Whooping cough and Tetanus is planned for next spring. If many little tots need the 1st and 2nd shots 3 clinics will be held. Most of the pupils will be given the adult type shot that does

not include whooping cough immunization, as this may be very toxic to any but the younger group.

To the individuals and organizations in the Towns we wish to say Thank You for the contributions that help so much in our health program. We are especially grateful to the Charlemont Lions Club for the glasses they gave to children.

And what would I do with out the many willing workers at my clinics! Thank you, too—very much.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY MOREHOUSE, R. N.

District Nurse

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### Receipts:

Balance brought forward	
January 1, 1960	\$ 484.67
Town of Charlemont	1,800.00
Town of Hawley	900.00
Town of Heath	900.00
Town of Rowe	900.00
Vitamin Capsules	73.55
Nursing Fees	147.25
Federal Withholding Tax	599.40
State Withholding Tax	33.24
County Retirement	197.50
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	53.50
State Withholding Tax to District	1.92
Total	\$ 6,091.03

#### Disbursements:

Nurse's Salary	\$ 3,840.00
Nurse's Mileage	286.44
Phone Service	47.00

New England Tel. & Tel.	123.05
Supplies	126.94
Office Rent	300.00
Treasurer's Salary	110.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Federal Withholding Tax	599.40
State Withholding Tax	33.24
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	53.50
County Retirement	197.50
Polio Clinics	54.00
Franklin County Retirement System	209.54
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,990.61</b>
Balance carried forward to 1961	<b>\$ 100.42</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
 BEDA A. LANGEVIN,  
 Treasurer

#### 1961 BUDGET

Nurse's salary		\$ 3,960.00
Nurse's mileage		350.00
Supplies		50.00
Rent		300.00
Telephone		200.00
Treasurer's salary		110.00
Miscellaneous		25.00
Retirement		220.00
Clinics		135.00
Charlemont	40%	\$ 5,350.00
Heath	20%	\$ 2,140.00
Hawley	20%	1,070.00
Rowe	20%	1,070.00
		<b>\$ 5,350.00</b>

# Report of The School Committee

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## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Arvon Palmer, Chairman	Term expires 1963
Bertha Chapin	Term expires 1961
Betty Scrivens, Secretary	Term expires 1962

## PERSONNEL

Wilson L. Tilley	Superintendent
Phyllis Volland	Grades 1 & 2
William H. Reed, Jr.	Grades 3 & 4
Frances Lamoureaux	Grades 5 & 6
Jeanette Rich	Art Supervisor
Nellie Veber	Janitor
Samuel J. Galbo, M. D.	School Physician
Dorothy Morehouse, R. N.	School Nurse
Horace Warfield	Attendance Officer

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Winter Term	
Opens January 3, 1961	Closes February 17, 1961
Second Winter Term	
Opens February 27, 1961	Closes April 14, 1961
Spring Term	
Opens April 24, 1961	Closes June 16, 1961
Fall Term	
Opens September 6, 1961	Closes December 22, 1961
Winter Term	Opens January 2, 1962

## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Good Friday	March 31, 1961
Memorial Day	May 29 - 30, 1961
Columbus Day	October 12 - 13, 1961
Teachers' Convention (Tentative)	October 18, 1961
Teachers' Visiting Day (Tentative)	October 25, 1961
Thanksgiving Day	Closes noon November 22, 1961
Christmas Holidays	Closes December 22, 1961





Mr. William Reed's classroom at the Village School.

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

It is my pleasure to submit herewith my fifth annual report.

Unfortunately there has been little or no progress toward new secondary facilities as of this writing. It is hoped that some positive progress may result in the months ahead. This long overdue project deserves the attention and support of all citizens.

Two supervisors are no longer with us. Mrs. Carolyn Dorst for music and Mrs. Beda Langevin for speech, both who resigned effective in September 1960. Replacements have not been found in these areas.

In June Mrs. Leona Parker replaced Mrs. Mary Lou Gift as secretary to the Superintendent of Schools.

In anticipation of increased school enrollments and a new elementary school, a third teacher was added to the faculty in September. Mr. William Reed was appointed to teach grades 3 and 4 in the Village School. Grades 5 and 6 were relocated in the upstairs room of the town hall which was renovated for this purpose. Other changes may





Mrs. Volland's classroom at the Village School.

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be considered for the school year 1961-1962 in anticipation of the new school being completed during that school year.

Each year it becomes progressively more difficult to maintain buildings, find teachers, and provide a quality program without a sizable increase in expenditure. With the rising costs of goods and services each year it is unreasonable to expect to provide an equal or better educational program for the same money. There is no question that good education is expensive, so is poor education. Nevertheless, our greatest community resource is the minds of our youth and they cannot be neglected. Our future depends on them.

In view of this, citizens of Rowe are to be congratulated on their willingness to support the school program by providing the necessary funds for that purpose.

In conclusion, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the citizens, staff, and school committee members, whose cooperation have made the past year a successful and enjoyable one.

Respectively submitted,  
WILSON L. TILLEY  
Superintendent of Schools

### ROWE PUPILS

Membership by Age and Grade — October 1, 1960

Grade	Ages												Total
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
Opp.													
1	8	2											10
2		5											5
3		1	3										4
4			1	4	1								6
5				1	3	2							6
6					1		2						3
7						1	3	1					5
8								5	3				8
9								2	1	1			4
10									1				1
11											6	1	7
12										1		1	2
	8	8	4	5	5	3	5	8	5	2	6	2	61

**VILLAGE SCHOOL  
DISBURSEMENTS OF 1960 FUNDS & BUDGET FOR 1961**

	1960 App.	1960 Exp.	1961 App.
GENERAL CONTROL:			
School Committee Expense	136.25	112.17	177.50
Superintendent's Salary	750.00	739.98	800.00
Superintendent's Other Expense	377.00	375.82	455.00
	<u>1,263.25</u>	<u>1,227.97</u>	<u>1,432.50</u>
INSTRUCTION:			
Teachers	9,520.00	10,541.36	16,280.00
Supervisors	671.00	653.68	1,700.00
Substitutes	150.00	49.50	225.00
Staff Expense	50.00		75.00
Books	275.00	699.04	600.00
Supplies & Tests	350.00	749.95	550.00
	<u>11,016.00</u>	<u>12,693.53</u>	<u>19,430.00</u>
OPERATION:			
Janitor Service	590.00	596.00	650.00
Fuel	375.00	263.00	375.00
Miscellaneous	475.00	417.36	475.00
	<u>1,440.00</u>	<u>1,276.36</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
MAINTENANCE:			
Repairs & Replacements	150.00	159.75	200.00
AUXILIARY:			
Health	75.00	117.67	80.00
Elementary Transportation	7,125.00	7,042.86	9,150.00
High School Transportation	4,255.00	3,245.52	5,131.50
Elementary Tuition	6,000.00	5,870.00	6,570.00
High School Tuition	5,520.00	4,250.00	7,570.00
Vocational	530.00	6.00	530.00
	<u>23,505.00</u>	<u>20,532.05</u>	<u>29,031.50</u>
OUTLAY:			
New Equipment	765.00	1,607.91	470.00
Yards & Grounds	100.00		100.00
	<u>865.00</u>	<u>1,607.91</u>	<u>570.00</u>
RESERVE:	100.00		100.00
TOTALS	<u>\$38,339.25</u>	<u>\$37,497.57</u>	<u>\$52,264.00</u>

**CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 1960**

Town Appropriation	\$ 38,339.25	
Unexpended Balance	841.68	
Gross Cost to Town for School	<u>          </u>	\$ 37,497.57
Estimated Reimbursements:		
Chapter 70, General Aid	\$ 1,727.45	
Supt's Salary & Travel	373.33	
Transportation	6,840.10	
Division of Child Guardianship	1,181.84	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 10,122.72
NET COST TO TOWN FOR SCHOOLS		<u>\$ 27,374.85</u>

The Rowe School Committee  
ARVON PALMER, Chairman  
BETTY SCRIVENS, Secretary  
BERTHA CHAPIN

## REPORT OF THE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

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To the Townspeople of Rowe:

The Mohawk Trail Regional School District which Rowe had contemplated joining is in the process of being dissolved. After many years of attempting to build a Junior-Senior High School in the area the Mohawk Committee decided that the obstacles were insurmountable.

The need for such an area school, however, is greater than ever and at the present time the towns of Buckland, Colrain and Shelburne are considering forming a new region which might build a school large enough to serve all area towns. If this should come about, Rowe might be invited to send its children—7th through 12th grades—on a tuition basis.

Pending further developments we believe it wise to continue our planning committee for another year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARVON G. PALMER

JOHN H. WILLIAMS

JOHN B. RANDAZZA



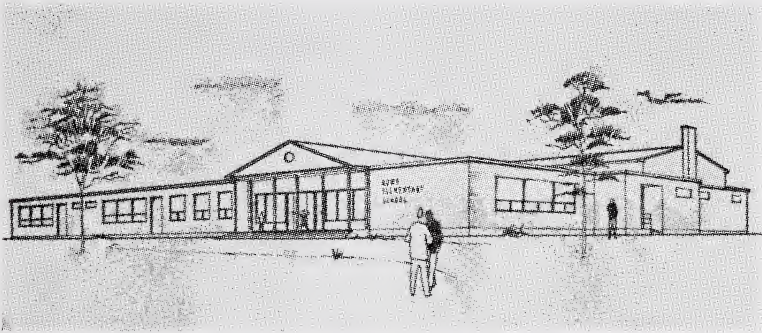
## REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

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Following is a brief report of the activities of the School Building Committee during the past year.

With the approval of the preliminary plans for the school project by the Comm. of Massachusetts, the Committee sought and received favorable action by the townspeople at the special town meeting held on June 10, 1960. At that meeting the Committee name was changed to the School Building Committee and two new members were added.

During completion of the final plans by the architects Webber and Erickson, the Committee engaged the Puffer Construction Co. for the clearing and grading of the site area.



**Proposed Elementary School**

After State approval of the final plans, specifications and the financial arrangements, the project was advertized for bid. Review of the bids showed an approximate shortage of funds of \$65,000 even after cutting of many minor features. A second town meeting was called on November 22, 1960 at which the town voted to increase the total appropriation from \$500,000 to \$565,000. Thereafter, Fontaine Bros. Construction of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts was awarded the contract. Work will be resumed on the School as soon as weather permits.



The Committee has and will continue to protect the interest of the Town during the building of the School by engaging a Clerk of Works to supervise construction.

We wish to express our appreciation to all the members of this community who have by their interest and support assisted us throughout the past year.

BERTHA E. CHAPIN  
WENDELL W. BJORK  
ARVON G. PALMER  
ALICE V. TRUESDELL  
MARY E. SIBLEY  
EFFORD H. PIERCE  
JOHN B. RANDAZZA  
WALTER A. BATES  
GLENN A. REED  
BETTY R. SCRIVENS  
HERBERT H. FITZROY

## Report of Tax Collector

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### TAXES OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 1960

1958 Real Estate	\$ 31.00	
	\$	31.00
1959 Poll	\$ 2.00	
Personal Property	26.46	
Real Estate	127.57	
Motor Vehicle	67.82	
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	\$	223.85
1960 Poll	\$ 14.00	
Personal Property	14.04	
Real Estate	150.36	
Motor Vehicle	1,337.25	
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	\$	1,515.65
Total		\$ 1,770.50

Respectfully submitted,

ANNE G. BOND

Tax Collector

## Report of Town Auditor

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January 15, 1961

This is to certify that I have examined the Annual Reports of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1960 and find them correct.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES E. PIERCE

Town Auditor

# Report of the Assessor's

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## TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES AS ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1960

Number of Persons assessed:		
On Personal Estate only		11
On Real Estate only		116
On both Personal and Real Estate		79
Total number of persons assessed		206
Number of Polls assessed		70
Value of Assessed Personal Estate:		
Stock in trade	\$	700.00
Machinery		4,151,436.00
Live Stock		480.00
All other tangible property		11,610.00
Total assessed Personal Estate	—————\$	4,164,226.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate:		
Land exclusive of buildings	\$	104,341.00
Buildings exclusive of land		1,487,250.00
Total Assessed Real Estate	—————\$	1,591,591.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate	\$	5,755,817.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000 —	\$24.00	
Taxes for State, County and Town purposes, including overlay:		
On Personal Estate	\$	99,941.42
On Real Estate		38,198.18
On Polls		140.00
Total taxes assessed	—————\$	138,279.60
Number of Live Stock estimated under Section 36, Chapter 59:		
Horses		14
Neat Cattle		11
Bulls, Heifers, Yearlings		7
Number of acres of land assessed		14,681
Number of dwellings assessed		143

**FIGURES USED IN ARRIVING AT THE 1960 TAX RATE**

Total Appropriation voted to be raised by taxation	\$142,749.25
Total appropriation voted from available funds	24,233.75
State Taxes and Assessments	714.79
County Taxes and Assessments	6,007.57
Western Franklin Health District	900.00
Western Franklin Welfare District	252.00
Western Franklin Veterans' Service Center	305.00
Overlay Reserve Fund	2,089.06
Employees Group Insurance	1,000.00
<b>GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED:</b>	<b>\$178,251.42</b>

**Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:**

Income Tax	\$ 3,437.51
Corporation Taxes	3,533.32
Reimbursement publicly owned land	174.10
Old Age Tax (Meals)	271.09
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	1,700.00
General Government	50.00
Charities	300.00
Old Age Assistance	2,100.00
Schools	4,150.00
Total Estimated Receipts	—————\$ 15,716.02
Total Available Funds	24,255.80
<b>Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds</b>	<b>\$ 39,971.82</b>
Balance to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property	138,279.60
<b>Total of Receipts, Available Funds and Levy</b>	<b>\$178,251.42</b>

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD E. TRUESDELL

HERBERT H. FITZROY

ROBERT SHUMWAY

Board of Assessors



# Town Clerk's Report

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## VITAL STATISTICS

### Births

Date	Name	Parents
June 5	James Thomas Williams	James Harrison Williams Ree Schuler
June 9	Susan Elizabeth Williams	John Herbert Williams, Jr. Nancy Ann Newton
July 17	Thomas Fredrick Dandeneau	Henry George Dandeneau Marion Elizabeth Liveley
Aug. 12	Richard Allen Tower	Richard Allen Tower Christine Aleatheabell Dow
Sept. 3	Wesley Frederick Hillier	Donald Thomas Hillier Eunice Mae Fleetwood
Sept. 14	Laura Louise Wyland	George Alan Wyland Florence Ewing Bates
Oct. 23	Rebecca Pierce	Efford Holden Pierce Frances Elaine Graves
Nov. 27	Dale Lewis Griswold	Gordon Lewis Griswold Annette Emilie Gould

### Deaths

	Yrs.	Mos.	Days
August 7 — Lillias Little Dorsey	73	11	2
December 6 — Charles Wesley Ely	72	7	17
December 13 — Maude Mea VanAlstine	89		

### Marriages

Sept. 30	Henry George Schrickel Susan J. Murray	North Adams Rowe
Sept. 24	Ellsworth Willard Veber Shirley Mary Green	Rowe Whitingham, Vt.

**Licenses Issued**

Dog Licenses			
20 Male @ \$2.00	\$	40.00	
1 Female @ \$5.00		5.00	
11 Spayed Female @ \$2.00		22.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 67.00
Fees retained			8.00
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Paid Town Treasurer		\$	59.00

**Sporting Licenses**

Resident Fishing 13 @ \$4.25	\$	55.25	
Resident Hunting 18 @ \$4.25		76.50	
Resident Sporting 21 @ \$7.25		162.25	
Resident Minor Fishing 6 @ \$2.25		13.50	
Resident Women Fishing 3 @ \$3.25		9.75	
Non Resident Fishing 7 day @ \$4.25		8.50	
Non Resident Hunting @ \$15.25		45.75	
Duplicate 1 @ .50		.50	
Resident Sporting Free - 4			
Resident Fishing Free - 1			
Archery Stamps @ \$1.10		3.30	
		<hr/>	\$ 375.30
Fees retained			16.80
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Paid Div. of Fish and Game		\$	358.50

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD A. TRUESDELL

Town Clerk

## Town Expenditures - 1960

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### Municipal Administration Expenditures

#### ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Reserve Fund	220.43	
Board of Selectmen		\$ 47.56
Board of Assessors		128.50
Tax Collector		83.58
Treasurer		86.11
Town Clerk		8.50
Office Supplies & Repairs		127.76
Postage		58.68
Telephone		207.35
Publishing Annual Report (1959)		443.00
Misc. Printing		17.85
Advertising		11.54
	\$ 1,220.43	\$ 1,220.43

#### BONDS AND INSURANCE

Town Appropriation	\$ 3,000.00	
Motion Picture Projector Ins.		\$ 10.00
Workmen's Compensation and Employers Liab.		1,150.81
Contractor's Liability		71.28
Vehicle Liability and Fire		930.22
Burglary		76.50
Volunteer Fire Dept.		166.25
Town Buildings Fire Schedule		389.46
Official's Bonds		170.80
Town Clerk	\$10.00	
Tax Collector	88.80	
Treasurer	52.00	
Conservator	20.00	
Balance in General Treasury		34.68
	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00

**CONTINGENCIES**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Special Meeting (10-6-60)	2,500.00	
One Cancelled Check	5.00	
Ballot Clerks and Tellers		\$ 149.50
Law Books		45.00
Town Counsel Services		357.42
Certification Notes #69, 70, 71		6.00
Memorial Day Flags		9.75
Assessor's Clerk		35.00
Special Clerical		19.24
Advertising		8.18
Highway Petitions		10.00
Witness Fee, Superior Court		9.85
Interest on Notes		2,490.08
Balance in General Treasury		364.98
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	\$ 3,505.00	\$ 3,505.00

**TOWN HALL — OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,600.00	
Special Meeting (7-26-60)	1,000.00	
Custodian Service		\$ 480.00
Heating Fuel Oil		352.16
Electricity		243.88
Cooking Gas		18.00
Building Repairs		377.23
Snow Removal		12.75
Supplies		121.22
New Equipment		154.48
Insulation of Roof		348.40
Balance in General Treasury		491.88
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	\$ 2,600.00	\$ 2,600.00

**TOWN HALL REMODELLING**

Special Meeting (8-4-60)	\$ 3,500.00	
Drinking Fountain		\$ 76.25
Balance Carried Forward to 1-1-61		3,423.75
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	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00

## TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Appropriation	\$ 3,675.00	
Selectmen		\$ 900.00
J. H. Williams	\$450.00	
E. C. Henderson	225.00	
G. C. Andognini, Jr.	206.25	
J. H. Stanford	18.75	
Assessors		510.00
H. O. Truesdell	170.00	
H. H. Fitzroy	170.00	
R. D. Shumway	155.83	
J. E. Bond	14.17	
School Committee		300.00
A. G. Palmer	100.00	
B. E. Chapin	100.00	
B. R. Scrivens	100.00	
Tax Collector		
A. G. Bond		250.00
Treasurer		
F. M. Bjork		750.00
Town Clerk		
G. A. Truesdell		200.00
Selectmen's Clerk		500.00
H. B. Cornish	416.60	
M. A. Andognini	83.40	
Fire Chief		
J. H. Stanford		100.00
Moderator		
G. A. Truesdell		20.00
Auditor		
F. E. Pierce		5.00
Animal Inspector		
R. E. Shumway		25.00
Meat Inspector		
R. E. Shumway		10.00
Sealer, Weights & Measures		
S. Murray		5.00
Assessor's Clerk		
A. G. Bond		100.00
	\$ 3,675.00	\$ 3,675.00



**TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSE**

Town Appropriation	\$	200.00		
Board of Selectmen			\$	123.15
Board of Assessors				9.00
Treasurer				20.63
Tax Collector				2.00
Town Clerk				7.50
Finance Committee				4.00
Board of Appeals				10.00
Board of Health				4.00
Balance in General Treasury				19.72
	\$	200.00	\$	200.00

**TOWN MAP PROJECT**

Town Appropriation	\$	6,750.00		
No Expenditures				
Balance carried forward to 1-1-61			\$	6,750.00
	\$	6,750.00	\$	6,750.00

**MICROFILMING OF TOWN RECORDS**

Town Appropriation	\$	500.00		
No Expenditures				
Balance carried forward 1-1-61			\$	500.00
	\$	500.00	\$	500.00

## Highway Department Expenditures

### ROAD MACHINERY MAINTENANCE

1959 Machinery Earnings	\$	7,383.75	
1960 Machinery Earnings 10-6-60		3,500.00	
Reserve Fund		193.16	
Superintendent	\$		547.75
Labor			1,409.34
Small Tools and Equipment			506.47
Heating Fuel Oil			816.66
Electricity			90.92
Telephone			166.95
Building Repairs			205.30
Vehicle Registration and Inspection			40.50
Oil and Grease			308.02
Diesel Fuel			373.98
Gasoline			1,844.16
#1—B-102 Pick-up Truck	182.53		
#2—R-190 Dump Truck	718.39		
#3—R-194 Dump Truck	886.45		
#7—Tailgate Sander	8.27		
#8—Automatic Sander	13.78		
#9 & 9A—Chain			
Saws	18.07		
#13, 13A & 13B—			
Brush Saws	16.67		
Repairs, Parts, etc.			2,343.27
#1—F-250	91.72		
#2—R-190	395.02		
#3—R-194	268.70		
#4—Trojan			
Shovel-Loader	213.49		
#5—Cletrac	92.07		
#6—Power Grader	956.78		
#7—Tailgate Sander	.00		
#8—Automatic Sander	80.10		
#9 & 9A—Chain Saws	87.40		
#13, 13A & 13B—			
Brush Saws	86.05		
#10 Street Sweeper	.00		
#11 Scraper	.00		
Common Spare Parts	71.94		
Workman's Comp.			754.00
Misc.			99.32

New Equipment	886.74
Plows	683.53

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\$ 11,076.91	\$ 11,076.91
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### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT NEW EQUIPMENT

Town Appropriation	\$ 25,350.00
International B-102 - Pick-up Truck	\$ 1,638.32
Model RB York Rake	695.00
International R-194 - Dump Truck	6,209.00
Trojan 164 Tractor Shovel	13,034.00
Aerotron 2-Way Radios	1,408.50
Balance in General Treasury	2,365.18

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\$ 25,350.00	\$ 25,350.00
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### EMPLOYEES' VACATION PAY

Town Appropriation	\$ 800.00
Reserve Fund	56.00
S. Murray	\$ 172.00
H. O. Truesdell	140.00
J. F. Knapp	140.00
E. E. Palmer	140.00
J. Magnago	132.00
R. L. Quillinan	132.00

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\$ 856.00	\$ 856.00
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### HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, ETC.

#### CHAPTER 81 MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,600.00
State Allotment	11,000.00
Reserve Fund	.43
Superintendent	\$ 1,077.06
Labor	5,520.28
Materials	1,767.09
Hired Road Equipment	867.00
Town Road Equipment	3,369.00

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\$ 12,600.43	\$ 12,600.43
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**1960 CHAPTER 81 EXPENDITURES  
IN THE TOWN OF ROWE**

1.	Zoar Road	\$ 71.00
2.	Pond Road	28.10
3.	Lesures Road	37.50
4.	Ford Hill Road	994.54
5.	Monroe Hill Road	211.00
6.	Middletown Hill Road	1,530.35
7.	Potters Road	650.60
8.	Cross Road	1,847.78
9.	Stone Hill Road	452.00
10.	Stone Road	119.80
11.	Cyrus Stage Road	705.20
12.	Dell Road	216.00
13.	Davis Mine Rd.	405.70
14.	Davenport Road	78.75
14a.	Davenport Road Br.	39.65
15.	Tatro Road	228.90
16.	Discontinued	0.00
17.	Brittingham Hill Road	390.95
18.	Hazelton Road	325.70
19.	County Road	394.00
20.	County Road Br.	30.60
21.	Shippee Road	92.55
22.	Newell Cross Road	101.40
23.	Tunnel Road	1,402.15
24.	Petrie's Road	26.60
25.	Steele Brook Road	270.76
26.	Bonnie Blink Road	18.05
27.	Dennis Road	0.00
28.	Brown Road	451.75
29.	Shumway Road	16.15
30.	Sibley Road	206.25
	Calcium Chloride	1,079.20
	Culvert Reserve	177.45
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 12,600.43</b>

**ALLOTMENTS:**

State .....	\$ 11,000.00
Town .....	1,600.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,600.43</b>

**CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION — HAZELTON ROAD**

Town Appropriation	\$ 10,000.00	
County Allotment	5,000.00	
State Allotment	15,000.00	
Reserve Fund	36.65	
Superintendent		\$ 900.20
Labor		4,990.53
Materials		6,063.67
Hired Road Equipment		15,233.75
Town Road Equipment		2,848.50
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	\$ 30,036.65	\$ 30,036.65

**CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 2,000.00	
County Allotment	2,000.00	
State Allotment	2,000.00	
Reserve Fund	51.90	
Superintendent		\$ 305.31
Labor		1,740.14
Materials		3,010.95
Hired Road Equipment		267.00
Town Road Equipment		728.50
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	\$ 6,051.90	\$ 6,051.90

**CHAPTER 90 — (Special Maintenance)**  
**Winter Maintenance of Roads leading to**  
**Yankee Atomic Electric Co.**

State Allotment	\$ 2,500.00	
Superintendent		\$ 79.55
Labor		314.60
Calcium Chloride		697.68
Sand		916.80
Stone		220.80
Town Road Equipment		270.50
Balance in General Treasury		.07
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	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00



**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT STORAGE SHED**

Town Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	
Superintendent		\$ 45.15
Labor		110.85
John F. Woffenden, Contractor		1,500.00
Balance carried forward to 1-1-61		3,344.00
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	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

**SPECIAL ROAD ACCOUNT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 20,000.00	
Superintendent		\$ 631.19
Labor		3,429.25
Materials		7,827.99
Hired Road Equipment		6,556.50
Town Road Equipment		1,313.00
Balance in General Treasury		242.07
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	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00

**SPECIAL ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	
Superintendent		\$ 195.65
Labor		3,207.24
New Equipment		277.08
Materials		191.86
Hired Road Equipment		335.00
Town Road Equipment		516.50
Mowing Town Lawns		231.75
Balance in General Treasury		44.92
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	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

**BRIDGE AND GUARD RAIL**

Town Appropriation	\$ 750.00	
Reserve Fund	8.35	
Superintendent		\$ 124.20
Labor		468.65
Materials		30.00
Town Road Equipment		135.50
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	\$ 758.35	\$ 758.35

**TOWN ACCOUNT**

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00		
Superintendent		\$	101.75
Labor			581.57
Town Road Equipment			316.50
Balance in General Treasury			.18
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$	1,000.00

**WINTER ROADS**

Town Appropriation	\$ 12,000.00		
Reserve Fund	1.69		
Superintendent		\$	1,385.19
Labor			5,840.00
Sand			567.40
Salt & Chloride			923.10
Hired Road Equipment			40.00
Town Road Equipment			3,246.00
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	\$ 12,001.69	\$	12,001.69

**SNOW FENCE**

Town Appropriation	\$ 200.00		
Posts		\$	127.20
Balance in General Treasury			72.80
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	\$ 200.00	\$	200.00

**STREET LIGHTS**

Town Appropriation	\$ 700.00		
Street Lights		\$	680.04
Balance in General Treasury			19.96
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	\$ 700.00	\$	700.00

**ROAD MACHINERY EARNINGS - 1960**

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Earnings</b>
#1 B-102 Pick-up Truck	\$ 383.00
#2 R-190 Dump Truck	2,769.00
#3 R-194 Dump Truck	3,269.00
#4 Fordson Major Tractor Loader	2,153.00
#5 Cletrac	1,072.50
#6 Austin-Western Power Grader	2,230.00
#7 Tailgate Sander	70.00
#8 Automatic Sander	253.00
#9 Power Saw	163.00
#9A Power Saw	12.00
#10 Street Sweeper	24.00
#13 Brush Saw	362.50
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	\$ 12,761.00
Transfer to 1960 Machinery Maintenance at Special Meeting 10-6-60	3,500.00
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	\$ 9,261.00

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**School Department Expenditures****SCHOOLS — Operation, Maintenance, Tuition, etc.**

Town Appropriation	\$ 38,339.25	
Expended		\$ 37,497.57
(See School Committee Report)		
Balance in General Treasury		841.68
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	\$ 38,339.25	\$ 38,339.25

**NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING**

Balance brought forward 12-31-59	\$ 4,281.63	
Special Meeting 6-10-60	500,000.00	
Special Meeting 11-22-60	65,000.00	
Architectural Fees		\$ 19,250.00
Advertising		310.28
Committee Expenses		170.23

Misc. Labor	9.00	
Insurance Re: Clearing Site	169.69	
Puffer Construction	30,714.10	
Land	3,470.00	
Ainsworth Engineers	1,744.57	
Balance in General Treasury	513,443.76	
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	\$569,281.63	\$569,281.63

### REGIONAL SCHOOL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Town Appropriation	\$	25.00	
Transportation - A. G. Palmer		\$	20.00
Balance in General Treasury			5.00
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	\$	25.00	\$ 25.00

### FOSTER DONATION

Credit to Foster Fund from General Treasury	\$	21.15
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## Health Department Expenditures

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Town Appropriation	\$	1,000.00	
Health Agent - Sanitarian, J. A. Brickett, R. S.		\$	301.20
Public Dump Maintenance			198.40
Well-Child Clinic			143.12
Health Association Dues for 1960			6.00
Balance in General Treasury			351.28
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	\$	1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

### HEALTH DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$	900.00	
West. Franklin Public Health Dist.		\$	900.00
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	\$	900.00	\$ 900.00

## Rowe Town Library Expenditures

### LIBRARY OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Librarian's Salary	\$ 412.50	
Books Purchased	83.95	
Magazines Subscriptions	45.48	
Heating Fuel Oil	139.65	
Electricity	35.24	
Building Repairs	13.50	
Custodian Services	84.70	
New Equipment	100.00	
Library Trustees' Conference	1.00	
Supplies	45.93	
Balance in General Treasury	38.05	
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	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

### LIBRARY WATER FACILITIES AND REPAIRS

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,200.00	
Balance from 12-31-59	390.00	
Roof Repairs and Insulation	\$ 513.30	
Water and Plumbing	464.62	
Balance in General Treasury	612.08	
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	\$ 1,590.00	\$ 1,590.00

### LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS AND GIFTS

Total Sum Available 1-1-60	\$ 723.69	
Income for 1960	75.25	
No Expenditures		.00
Total Sum Available 1-1-61	\$ 798.94	
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	\$ 798.94	\$ 798.94



## Charities

### WELFARE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Town Appropriation	\$	252.00		
West. Frank. Welfare District			\$	252.00
	\$	252.00	\$	252.00

### WELFARE — All Categories

Town Appropriation	\$	9,500.00		
Federal Grant Balance 1-1-60				
Aid to Dependent Children		616.04		
Disability Assistance		150.71		
Old Age Assistance		466.20		
Federal Grants Received in 1960				
Disability Assistance		1,391.00		
Old Age Assistance		3,648.00		
Cancelled Checks				
Old Age Assistance Federal		7.70		
Aid Granted				
Disability Assistance				
Town Account			\$	1,988.25
Federal Grant				1,469.57
Old Age Assistance				
Town Account				5,273.90
Federal Grant				3,879.70
Medical Assistance for the Aged				
Town Account				244.10
General Relief				
Town Account				439.40
Federal Grant Bal. forward to 1-1-61				
Aid to Dependent Children				616.04
Disability Assistance				72.14
Old Age Assistance				242.20
Balance of Town Account in				
General Treasury				1,554.35
	\$	15,779.65	\$	15,779.65

**VETERANS' SERVICE CENTER ADMINISTRATION**

Town Appropriation	\$	305.00		
West. Frank Vet. Service Center			\$	305.00
	\$	305.00	\$	305.00

**VETERANS' BENEFITS**

Town Appropriation	\$	100.00		
No Expenditures				.00
Balance in General Treasury			\$	100.00
	\$	100.00	\$	100.00

**Protection of Persons and Property****FIRE DEPARTMENT - OPERATION & MAINTENANCE**

Town Appropriation	\$	1,000.00		
Equipment Maintenance			\$	132.33
Station House Maintenance				28.55
Red Phone Alarm System				273.00
Electricity				102.86
Association Dues for 1960				14.00
Gasoline				5.48
New Equipment				359.41
Misc.				22.16
Balance in General Treasury				62.21
	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00

**NEW STATION HOUSE DOOR**

Town Appropriation	\$	600.00		
J. F. Woffenden, Contractor			\$	553.50
Balance in General Treasury				46.50
	\$	600.00	\$	600.00

**FOREST FIRES**

Town Appropriation	\$	250.00		
Payroll (Soapstone Curve - 5-5-60)			\$	4.50
Balance in Treasury				245.50
	\$	250.00	\$	250.00

**WATER HOLES**

Town Appropriation	\$	200.00		
Water Hole Construction & Maint.			\$	83.34
Balance in General Treasury				116.66
	\$	200.00	\$	200.00

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Town Appropriation	\$	150.00		
Association Dues for 1960			\$	10.00
Pistol Permit Forms				10.00
Balance in General Treasury				130.00
	\$	150.00	\$	150.00

**CIVIL DEFENSE**

Town Appropriation	\$	50.00		
No Expenditures				.00
Balance in General Treasury			\$	50.00
	\$	50.00	\$	50.00

**INSECT PEST CONTROL**

Town Appropriation	\$	110.00		
No Expenditures				.00
Balance in General Treasury			\$	110.00
	\$	110.00	\$	110.00

**DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL**

Town Appropriation	\$	400.00		
No Expenditures				.00
Balance in General Treasury			\$	400.00
	\$	400.00	\$	400.00

**Recreation****PELHAM LAKE PARK**

Town Appropriation	\$	1,000.00		
Balance from 12-31-59		300.00		
Mass. Park Assn. dues for 1960	\$		3.00	
Swimming Classes			77.37	
Percy Brown Memorial Tablet			150.00	
Sand and Gravel			319.25	
Hired Equipment			202.70	
Labor (Brush, etc.)			92.50	
Equipment and Supplies Purchased			57.92	
Balance in General Treasury			397.26	
	\$	1,300.00	\$	1,300.00

**OLD HOME DAY**

Town Appropriation	\$	400.00		
Fire Works Display			\$	400.00
	\$	400.00	\$	400.00

**MOTION PICTURE SERIES**

Town Appropriation	\$	400.00		
Film Rentals			\$	272.82
Balance in General Treasury				127.18
	\$	400.00	\$	400.00

**MOTION PICTURE PROJECTOR**

Town Appropriation	\$	300.00		
Reserve Fund		75.00		
R.C.A. Model #400 Projector			\$	375.00
	\$	375.00	\$	375.00

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Town Appropriation	\$	100.00		
Purchase of Gifts			\$	69.14
Balance in General Treasury				30.86
	\$	100.00	\$	100.00

**Cemetery Expenditures****CEMETERY CARE**

Town Appropriation	\$	450.00		
Mowing Cemetery			\$	198.15
Hearse House Repair				30.10
Balance in General Treasury				221.75
	\$	450.00	\$	450.00



## Miscellaneous Expenditures

### PUBLICATION OF TOWN HISTORY

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,500.00	
Reserve Fund	215.00	
500 Copies "History of Rowe"		\$ 1,715.00
	\$ 1,715.00	\$ 1,715.00

### STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

State Treasurer (Parks & Reservations)	\$ 251.35
State Treasurer (Auditing Town Accounts)	517.58
County Treasurer (County Dog License Receipts)	59.00
County Treasurer (County Tax)	4,809.03
	\$ 5,636.96

### COLLECTOR'S DEMAND FEES

Demand Fees	\$ 34.70	
Collector, A. G. Bond		\$ 34.70
	\$ 34.70	\$ 34.70

### EMPLOYEES' WITHHOLDING TAXES

Payroll Deductions	\$ 6,089.30	
Director of Internal Revenue		\$ 5,551.25
Commonwealth of Mass.		525.30
Service Charge Retained		12.75
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	\$ 6,089.30	\$ 6,089.30

### EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND

Town Appropriation	\$ 1,353.27	
Employees Contribution	1,499.35	
Franklin County Retirement System		\$ 2,852.62
	\$ 2,852.62	\$ 2,852.62

**TAX ABATEMENTS**

One Abatement for 1959 M. V. Excise	\$	4.00
One Abatement for 1959 R. E. Tax		6.30
One Abatement for 1960 M. V. Excise		5.84
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	\$	16.14

**LOANS**

Note #68 Anticipation of Taxes	\$	30,000.00
Note #69 High. Reimbursement		20,000.00
Note #71 Anticipation of School Construction Bond		50,000.00
Shelburne Falls, National Bank		\$100,000.00
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	\$	100,000.00
	\$	100,000.00

**GROUP INSURANCE PLAN**

Town Appropriation	\$	826.79
Employees Contributions		825.94
County of Franklin, Group Plan		\$ 1,652.73
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	\$	1,652.73
	\$	1,652.73

**RESERVE FUND**

Town Appropriation from Overlay	\$	1,000.00
Administration	\$	220.43
Vacation Pay		56.00
Bridge and Guard Rail		8.35
Winter Roads		1.69
Chapter 81 Maint.		.43
Chapter 90 Const.		36.65
Chapter 90 Maint.		51.90
Machinery Maint.		193.16
Publication of Town History		215.00
Balance in Overlay Surplus		216.39
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	\$	1,000.00
	\$	1,000.00

## Recapitulation of Accounts - 1960

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### ADMINISTRATION

Administration	\$ 1,220.43
Bonds and Insurance	2,965.32
Contingent	3,140.02
Town Hall	2,108.12
Town Hall - Remodling	76.25
Officers' Salaries	3,675.00
Officers' Expenses	180.28

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Machinery Maintenance	11,076.91
New Equipment	22,984.82
Vacation Pay	856.00
Town Shed	1,656.00

### HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE, ETC.

Chapter 81 Maintenance	12,600.43
Chapter 90 Construction	30,036.65
Chapter 90 Maintenance	6,051.90
Chapter 90 Maintenance - Special	2,499.93
Special Roads Account	19,757.93
Special Roadside Maintenance	4,955.08
Bridge and Guard Rails	758.35
Town Account	999.82
Winter Roads	12,001.69
Snow Fence	127.20
Street Lighting	680.04

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Schools - Operation and Maintenance	37,497.57
Elementary School Planning Committee	55,837.87
Regional School Planning Committee	20.00

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health	648.72
Health District Administration	900.00

### CHARITIES

Welfare District Administration	252.00
Welfare Granted - All Categories	13,294.92
Veterans' Service Center	305.00

## PROTECTION

Fire Department	1,491.29
Forest Fires	4.50
Water Holes	83.34
Police Department	20.00

## LIBRARY

Library Operation and Maintenance	961.95
Library - Water Facilities	977.92
Library Trust Fund	5.00

## RECREATION

Pelham Lake Park	902.74
Old Home Day	400.00
Motion Picture Series	647.82
Community Christmas Party	100.00

## CEMETERIES

Cemetery Maintenance	228.25
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## MISCELLEANEOUS

History of Rowe	1,715.00
State and County Taxes	5,577.96
Tax Collector's Demand Fees	34.70
Employees' Withholding Taxes	6,076.55
Employees' Retirement Fund	2,852.62
Group Insurance Plan	1,652.73
Tax Abatements	16.14
Loan Repayments	100,000.00
Foster Donation	21.15
Dog License Receipts	59.00

## TOTAL OF SELECTMEN'S WARRANTS

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 \$372,992.91

# Report of Town Treasurer

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## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, January 1, 1960 \$ 53,355.17

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Agric.-Livestock Disease Control	\$ 12.50
Corporation Tax, Business	4,083.32
Income Tax	3,090.52
Meals Tax, O.A.A.	266.87
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes	174.10

### County of Franklin:

Dog License Refund (1959)	46.13
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### Departmental Receipts:

#### Librarian:

Fines for 1960	18.91
Gift to Library	5.00
Sale of Town Histories, 1960 Edition	122.50

#### Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Yankee Atomic Electric Company	\$ 2.50
W. W. Bjork	2.50
	5.00

#### Town Clerk:

Dog License Receipts	59.00
Innkeeper's License - Rainbow Hill	1.00
Milk & Cream License - Rainbow Hill	.50
Milk License - Scott Dairy	.50
Liquor License (1961) - Augusta Bjork	100.00

#### Pistol Licenses:

L. M. Bolton	\$ 2.00
George Veber	2.00
	4.00

#### Town Hall Rental:

Ladies Auxiliary (RVFA)	\$ 6.00
Betty Scrivens	3.00
Blanche Veber	3.00
Rowe Baptist Sunday School	10.00
	22.00



**Highways:**

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Chapter 90 Maint.	
(1959) #18638	\$ 1,500.00
Chapter 81 Maint.	
(1959) #6842	9,847.77
Chapter 90 Maint.	
(1958) #17777	2,500.00
Chapter 90 Maint.	
(Spec.-1960) #19187	2,499.93
Chapter 90 Maint.	
(160) #19188	2,000.00
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	\$ 18,347.70

## County of Franklin:

Chapter 90 Maint.	
(1959) #18638	\$ 1,500.00
Chapter 90 Const.	
(1959) #18782	4,000.00
Chapter 90 Maint.	
(1960) #19188	2,000.00
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	\$ 7,500.00

Highway Reimbursement Loan (Note #70)	37,500.00
Machinery Earnings	12,761.00

**Payroll Deductions:**

Federal Withholding Taxes	5,551.25
State Withholding Taxes	538.05
County of Franklin Retirement System	1,499.35
County of Franklin Group Insurance	772.67

**Savings a/c Interest:**

Franklin Savings Institute	\$ 473.98
Franklin Savings Institute	
(School Lunch Fund)	.88
Shelburne Falls Savings Bank	15.63
Conway Savings Bank	58.33
Crocker Institute for Savings	287.51
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	836.33

**Schools:**

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

School Superintendents	373.31
Div. of Child Guardianship	
Tuition & Transportation	2,373.41
School Aid - Chapter 70	1,727.45
Transportation of Pupils	6,840.10

**Loans:**

Tax Anticipation Loan (Note #69)	30,000.00
Anticipation Serial Loan (School Project Loan) Note #71	50,000.00
Rowe School Project Loan, Act of 1948	500,000.00
Premium on Bonds	2,110.00
Accrued Interest on Bonds	468.75

**Taxes:**

1958 - Poll Tax	\$ 2.00	
Real Estate	234.66	
Personal Property	19.17	
M.V. & Trailer Excise	152.39	
Interest - Taxes	25.71	
Charges & Fees	7.35	
Advertising Costs	5.48	
1959 - Poll Tax	4.00	
Real Estate	606.11	
Personal Property	69.30	
M.V. & Trailer Excise	853.21	
Interest - Taxes	7.27	
Charges & Fees	19.35	
1960 - Poll Tax	100.00	
Real Estate	38,017.82	
Personal Property	99,927.38	
M.V. & Trailer Excise	2,144.21	
Interest - Taxes	.42	
Charges & Fees	8.00	
Farm Animal Excise	27.50	
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**Trust Fund Income:**

Preserved Smith Library Fund	40.00
Charles Wells Library Fund	16.26

**Welfare:**

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Disability Assistance		
Federal Grants	\$ 1,391.00	
State Grants	1,374.30	
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Old Age Assistance		
Federal Grants	\$ 3,648.00	
State Grants	4,378.44	
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Western Franklin Welfare District	
Postage (1960)	13.50
Cancelled Check	7.70
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	
Community Christmas Party Refund	30.86
Cancelled Check	5.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$840,347.61</u>
Total Receipts and Cash on Hand, December 31, 1960	\$893,702.78

### PAYMENTS

Selectmen's Warrants	\$372,992.91
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1960	520,709.87
	<u>\$893,702.78</u>

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE M. BJORK

Town Treasurer

# **TREASURER'S REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS**

<b>TRUST FUND</b>	<b>Balance 1-1-60</b>		<b>1960 Income</b>	<b>Balance 12-31-60</b>	
	<b>Svgs. Act.</b>	<b>Gen. Treas.</b>		<b>Svgs. Act.</b>	<b>Gen. Treas.</b>
Post-War Rehabilitation	14,773.15		521.66	15,294.81	
Preserved Smith Library (Kentucky Central Railway \$1000 Bond)		145.83	40.00		185.83
Foster Donation	268.65	21.15	9.47 21.15 (from Gen. Treas.)	299.27	
Charles Wells Library	500.00	150.21	16.26	500.00	166.47
Library Gift Fund	427.65		13.99 5.00 (Gift)	446.64	
Charles Wells Cemetery	257.61		8.42	266.03	
Abbott White Cemetery	270.30		8.84	279.14	
Cemetery Perpetual Care		34.58			34.58

Respectfully submitted,  
**FLORENCE M. BJORK**  
 Town Treasurer

## Summary of the Town Meeting Action

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### ANNUAL MEETING — FEBRUARY 1, 1960

Article 1. Accepted the Annual Reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. Re-elected all Officers not on the ballot.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate \$80,399.25 to defray routine charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the year.

Article 5. Voted to raise and appropriate \$7,500.00 and to appropriate from available funds \$7,500.00 for an all-wheel-drive Front End Loader.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,650.00 for a Pickup Truck.

Voted to appropriate from available funds \$1,000.00 for Two-way Radio Equipment.

Voted to appropriate from available funds \$700.00 for a Road Rake.

Voted to raise and appropriate \$7,000.00 for a new Dump Truck.

Article 6. Voted to transfer the 1959 Road Machinery Earnings Fund of \$7,383.75 to the 1960 Road Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 7. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,600.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways.

Article 8. Voted to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction.



- Article 9. Voted to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 for the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.
- Article 10. Voted to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00 for "Special Road Account".
- Article 11. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for Roadside Maintenance.
- Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 to build a Storage Shed for the Highway Department, and to repair the building located at the rear of the Town Hall.
- Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate \$600.00 for a larger Roll-up Door at the Fire Station.
- Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,200.00 for the installation of water, plumbing facilities and repairs of the Rowe Town Library.
- Article 15. Voted to raise and appropriate \$300.00 for the purchase of a new Motion Picture Projector; to be used only for public showings.
- Article 16. Voted that limited repairs be made to Monument located in front of the Town Hall and that Leon Shippee be appointed custodian for one year.
- Article 17. Voted to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to have important Town records microfilmed.
- Article 18. Voted to establish a special "Municipal Study Committee" composed of: Walter A. Bates, Clifford W. Sibley, Herbert A. Autio, Emma L. Blizzard, Kenneth Soule, J. Henry Stanford, Efford H. Pierce; to investigate and make recommendations on improving the services and functions of the town, and to report at or before the next annual meeting.
- Article 19. Voted to transfer \$1,000.00 from Overlay Surplus to the 1960 Reserve Fund.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — JUNE 10, 1960

- Article 1. Voted to accept a report of the Elementary School Planning Committee.
- Article 2. Voted that the sum of \$500,000.00 be appropriated for the purpose of constructing an Elementary

School Building and for originally equipping and furnishing said building and for the purpose of acquiring land for said school by purchase or by eminent domain, and to meet such appropriation the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of \$500,000.00 under the provisions of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, over a period of twenty years.

Article 3. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to acquire for the town by purchase or take by eminent domain for the purpose of erecting the new Elementary School authorized under Article 2, a certain tract of land of about thirty (30) acres lying westerly of and adjacent to Pond Road, so-called, including lands of Viola Stone, the southerly end of lands of Thomas Codrick and Elsa Codrick, and the southerly end of lands of Donald Hillier and Eunice Hillier.

Article 4. Voted that an Elementary School Building Committee composed of the members of the Elementary School Planning Committee and Glenn A. Reed and John B. Randazza be created and said Committee is authorized and directed to enter into on behalf of the town all contracts and agreements necessary to construct, equip and furnish the new elementary school as proposed.

#### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — AUGUST 4, 1960

Article 1. Heard and accepted a report of the Municipal Study Committee.

Article 2. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$6,750.00 to cover the cost of Phase 1 of the Town Map—Tax Map as proposed by the Municipal Study Committee.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$3,500.00 to recondition and remodel the Town Hall for use as a temporary school room.

Article 4. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$1,000.00 for Town Hall Maintenance Account.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — OCTOBER 6, 1960

Article 1. Voted to transfer the sum of \$3,500.00 from the 1960 Machinery Earnings Fund to the 1960 Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 2. Voted to add the following section to Article III of the By Laws "Section 13. In accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 39 of the General Laws there shall be a "Finance Committee" consisting of five members who shall consider all municipal questions relating to appropriations and may consider any municipal questions for the purpose of making reports and recommendations to the town. This Committee shall submit its recommendations and report to each town meeting, regular or special. At the next annual meeting two members shall be elected for three years, two members for two years and one member for one year. No officer or employee of the town shall be eligible to serve on said committee.

Article 3. Voted to refer the proposed amendment to Section 5, Article V of the By-Laws—"Section 5. The area of any lot with a dwelling thereon shall not be less than two acres and shall have a frontage on the highway or street of not less than 250 feet and no dwelling shall be located within 50 feet of a lot boundary."—to the Municipal Study Committee for further consideration.

Article 4. Voted to refer the matter of restriction of trailers and mobilhomes to the Municipal Study Committee for further consideration.

Article 5. Voted to appropriate from available funds \$2,500.00 for the Contingent Account to provide for the new elementary school building expenses and interest payments.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — NOVEMBER 22, 1960

Article 1. Heard and accepted a report of the Elementary School Building Committee.

Article 2. Voted to raise and appropriate \$65,000.00, such sum to be in addition to the funds appropriated under Article 2, Special Meeting June 10, 1960, for the purpose of constructing an Elementary School Building, and for originally equipping and furnishing said building.

# Report of the Budget Committee

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1961

	Expended 1958	Expended 1959	Expended 1960	Recomm. 1961
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>				
Administration	951.35	1,119.65	1,220.43	1,500.00
Bonds & Insurance	2,540.51	3,218.75	2,965.32	4,000.00
Contingent	493.53	944.55	3,140.02	2,000.00
Town Hall	803.26	989.66	2,108.12	2,000.00
Officers' Salaries	3,168.49	3,185.84	3,675.00	4,355.00
Officers' Expenses	194.35	184.80	180.28	200.00
<b>HIGHWAYS</b>				
Employees' Vacation Pay	384.00	776.00	856.00	950.00
Bridge & Guard Rail	501.25	414.33	758.35	3,000.00
Town Account	852.10	1,130.73	999.82	1,000.00
Winter Roads	11,800.34	12,000.36	12,001.69	15,000.00
Snow Fence	200.00	190.00	127.20	200.00
Street Lighting	459.99	633.34	680.04	800.00
Roadside Maintenance	.00	4,860.39	4,955.08	5,000.00
<b>SCHOOL DEPARTMENT</b>				
Schools, Operation, etc.	23,217.49	27,138.58	37,497.57	52,264.00
Regional Planning Comm.	.00	.00	20.00	25.00
<b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>				
Board of Health	297.15	458.95	648.72	1,000.00
<b>CHARITIES</b>				
Welfare - All Categories	6,432.17	8,528.51	13,294.92	9,500.00
Veterans' Benefits	.00	.00	.00	100.00
<b>PROTECTION</b>				
Fire Dept. - Operation	914.04	1,069.50	1,491.29	1,000.00
Forest Fires	153.24	1,105.29	4.50	250.00
Water Holes	184.50	139.26	83.34	500.00
Police Dept.	101.00	104.12	20.00	150.00
Civil Defense	36.19	65.01	.00	25.00
Insect Pest Control	.00	.00	.00	100.00
Dutch Elm Disease Cont.	.00	.00	.00	400.00
<b>LIBRARY</b>				
Library, Operation	649.02	771.30	961.95	2,500.00
<b>RECREATION</b>				
Pelham Lake Park	999.85	856.42	902.74	2,000.00
Old Home Day Celeb.	300.00	300.00	400.00	400.00
Motion Picture Series	248.63	297.57	647.82	400.00
Comm. Christmas Party	49.02	43.91	69.14	150.00
<b>CEMETERIES</b>				
Cemetery Care	329.50	80.00	228.25	450.00
	\$56,260.97	\$70,606.82	\$89,937.59	\$111,219.00

## Annual Meeting Warrant

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FRANKLIN, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Rowe:

**GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowe, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Rowe on MONDAY, the SIXTH DAY OF FEBRUARY next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officials and questions:

- Clerk for one (1) year
- Treasurer for one (1) year
- Selectman for three (3) years
- School Committee Member for three (3) years
- Assessor for three (3) years
- Library Trustee for three (3) years
- Park Commissioner for three (3) years
- Cemetery Committee Member for three (3) years
- Two Finance Committee Members for three (3) years
- Two Finance Committee Members for two (2) years
- Finance Committee Member for one (1) year
- Auditor for one (1) year
- Tree Warden for one (1) year
- Constable for one (1) year

**QUESTION:**

Shall the town voted to have its Selectmen appoint the Tree Warden?

For the purpose of electing officials by ballot the polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon and shall be closed at 7:00 o'clock in the evening.

And in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are further directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowe, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Rowe on Monday, the sixth day of February next, at 11:30 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles:



Article 1. To act on the report of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 2. To choose all necessary Officers not elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue a note or notes payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury to pay interest and maturing debt, and for charges, expenses and outlays of the several town departments for the ensuing year.

#### SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the following sums of money be raised and appropriated for the several specific puposes hereinafter designated and that the same be expended only for such purposes under the direction of the Officer, Board or Committee concerned, as recommended by the Budget Committee:

\$1,500.00	Administration
4,000.00	Bonds and Insurance
2,000.00	Contingent
2,000.00	Town Hall
4,355.00	Town Officers' Salaries
\$900.00	Selectmen
300.00	School Committee
510.00	Assessors
1,000.00	Treasurer
350.00	Tax Collector
200.00	Town Clerk
650.00	Selectmen's Clerk
100.00	Assessor's Clerk
200.00	Fire Chief
20.00	Moderator
80.00	Board of Registrars
25.00	Animal Inspector
10.00	Meat Inspector
5.00	Sealer, Wgts. & Meas.

5.00	Auditor
200.00	Town Officers Expenses
950.00	Highway Employees' Vacation Pay
3,000.00	Bridge and Guard Rail
1,000.00	Town Account
15,000.00	Winter Roads
200.00	Snow Fence
800.00	Street Lighting
5,000.00	Roadside Maintenance
52,264.00	Schools, Operation, etc.
48,750.00	School Construction Bonds (Principal & Interest)
25.00	Regional School Planning Committee
1,000.00	Board of Health
9,500.00	Welfare - All Categories
100.00	Veterans' Benefits
1,000.00	Fire Department
250.00	Forest Fires
500.00	Water Holes
150.00	Police Department
25.00	Civil Defense
100.00	Insect Pest Control
400.00	Dutch Elm Disease Control
2,500.00	Library
2,000.00	Pelham Lake Park
400.00	Old Home Day Celebration
400.00	Motion Picture Series
150.00	Community Christmas Party
450.00	Cemeteries

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to purchase new equipment for the Highway Department and to determine whether the town will appropriate money therefor, to be provided by taxation, by appropriation from available un-appropriated funds in the treasury or by borrowings under Chapter 44 of the General Laws; or take any action in relation thereto.

#### SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to purchase on behalf of the town a new Power-Grader and that the sum of \$8,500.00 be appropriated from available un-appropriated funds in the treasury, and, in addition, that the sum of \$8,500.00 be raised and appropriated therefor, and that the 1952 Power-Grader may be traded towards this purchase.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to transfer the 1960 Road Machinery Earnings Fund of \$9,261.00 to the 1961 Road Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways; or take any action in relation thereto.

SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the sum of \$1,600.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Construction; or take any action in relation thereto.

SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Construction.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for "Special Road Account"; or take any action in relation thereto.

SUGGESTED VOTE:

That the sum of \$25,000.00 be raised and appropriated for "Special Road Account".

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to provide "Holiday Pay" for the full-time employees of the Highway Department for six legal holidays during the ensuing year; or take any action in relation thereto.

- Article 12. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$4,000.00 to replace the "Mill Pond Dam" in the Village; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 13. To see if the town will vote to establish a "Stabilization Fund" in accordance with Section 5B of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 therefor; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$6,000.00 to cover the cost of Phase #2 of the Town—Tax Map Project.
- Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Library Trustees to secure preliminary plans for remodelling or enlarging the Rowe Town Library; or take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 16. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1,500.00 from Overlay Surplus to the 1961 Reserve Fund.
- Article 17. To hear the report and recommendations of the "Municipal Study Committee"; and to take any action in relation thereto.
- Article 18. To transact any other business of a lawful and pertinent nature that may come before this meeting.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Rowe Post Office and at the Town Hall in said Rowe, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS  
GIULIO C. ANDOGNINI, JR.  
EDWARD C. HENDERSON  
Selectmen of Rowe

## Report of Municipal Study Committee

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DECEMBER, 1960

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### MEMBERS

Herbert A. Autio  
Walter A. Bates, Chairman  
Emma Blizzard, Secretary  
Efford H. Pierce  
Clifford W. Sibley  
Kenneth D. Soule  
J. Henry Stanford

At the last Annual Meeting, Warrant Article Number 18 read as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to establish a special 'Municipal Study Committee' of seven members appointed by the Town Meeting, to investigate and make recommendations on improving the services and functions of the Town and to report to the town at or before the next Annual Meeting."

This article was approved by the Town Meeting and the following members were appointed:

Herbert A. Autio  
Walter A. Bates  
Emma Blizzard  
Efford H. Pierce  
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The Selectmen of the Town called a meeting of this Committee on February 9, 1960 at which time Chairman Williams outlined the duties and responsibilities of the Committee. Later your Committee elected Walter A. Bates, Chairman and Emma Blizzard, Secretary.

At subsequent meetings many of the functions and services of the town government were discussed very frankly



and with open minds by all members of the Committee. Some of the subjects discussed were as follows:

1. Amending the zoning regulations of the Town of Rowe.
2. Establishment of land subdivision controls.
3. Preparation of a capital expenditures budget and an operational expenditures budget for a period of five years or more.
4. Consolidation of various public works projects such as maintenance of park grounds, also ground around the Town Hall, Library, Cemeteries, Town Dump, etc.
5. Highway and Bridges Program.
6. Park Development.
7. Better and more use of the Town Library.
8. Study of salaries and wages of Town employees and Town officials.
9. Need for enforcement of Town By-Laws.
10. Consolidation of some of the Town Departments.
11. Change of time of the Annual Town Meeting.
12. Better maps of the Town for use by Assessors and other Town Departments.

## CONCLUSIONS

The principal conclusions reached by your Committee are as follows:

- A. The Town of Rowe is facing a period of increasing financial expenditures and it is the belief of this Committee that the Town should try to plan in advance for these expenditures.
- B. Serious study and consideration should be given by the Town to all of the twelve subjects noted above.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. **Amending the Zoning Regulations of the Town of Rowe**  
Since the concept of zoning was determined by the courts of the Commonwealth to be a legal exercise of the police power, some 190 separate municipalities have enacted zoning ordinances or by-laws.

These communities, which include almost 90% of the population of the Commonwealth, have undertaken their action sometimes with consultant assistance and sometimes through community effort. While a zoning by-law is frequently thought of as a protective measure, it should be visualized as a means for encouraging the sound growth of the community over the years. It is the basis upon which further building and development in the town will take place.

Your Committee believes that our present by-laws should be amended to provide larger lot areas and also establish a minimum frontage of at least 150 feet on a highway with minimum sideyards of 50 feet. Some members believe that lots having an area of two acres would be desirable, but it appears that most of the landowners do not favor this.

## 2. **Establishment of Land Subdivision Controls**

Subdivision control is a procedure granted to cities and towns so that they may have control over the development of new streets in order that the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of both today and tomorrow may be protected. It accomplishes its end in that it insures that new streets are properly laid out in the community, that all land in the subdivision will be readily accessible and that in the design of the street it does not include excessive grades or curves or similar elements which are inconvenient or dangerous; also it affords the community the opportunity to require that any person subdividing land where new streets are involved install adequate facilities for the benefit of the houses which will ultimately be in the subdivision. The following are suggested specifications for new streets:

- A. **Street width** or right of way, 50 feet.
- B. **Street pavement** - the wearing or exposed surface of the roadway used by vehicular traffic shall be not less than 26 feet wide located in the center of the street width.
- C. **Construction details: Rock cuts** - in solid rock excavation it shall be excavated 12" below the base of the ultimate pavement.
- D. **Gravel course** - this item to consist of a good quality gravel or equal and be free of excessive amounts of clay, loam or vegetable matter.

The gravel shall be spread at a minimum depth of 18 inches after compaction and width of 26 feet and shall be bladed to a uniform grade.

- E. **Grades** - the minimum grade for any street shall be 0.5%. The maximum grade shall in general not exceed 12% but in specific cases where it is not practical, grades may be greater.
  - F. **Streets** shall have names that are not the same as existing streets unless they are a continuation of existing streets.
  - G. **All corners or intersections** shall be rounded by curves of at least 30 feet radius.
  - H. Adequate provisions for **draining all streets** must be incorporated in the plan.
  - I. Provision shall be made for **access to all proposed streets** across water courses by adequate culverts or bridges.
3. **Preparing a Capital Expenditures Budget and an Operational Expenditures Budget for a period of 5 years or more.**

At a recent special Town Meeting it was voted to establish a Town Finance Committee. One of the functions and duties of a Finance Committee is to consider and advise as to the future planning and development of the Town. Your Municipal Study Committee has considered this since its inception at the last Annual Town Meeting. Much time and study has been spent on this because the Committee felt it was important. This concerns necessary future capital outlays which are needed as the community grows. Laying out a year-by-year program is essential in order that expenditures may not be made in a haphazard, ill-advised manner, by whim and caprice, without consideration of other items bound to come.

Your Municipal Study Committee has no desire to usurp the duties or powers of the Finance Committee, but we do wish to submit the following Capital Expenditures budget and Operational Expenditures budget for a five year period.

**SCHOOLS****Capital Expenditures**

\$500,000 Bond issue for new school — assuming 20 year basis, interest rate 3.80%

1961	Bonds	\$25,000	Interest	\$19,000	Total	\$44,000
1962	"	25,000	"	18,050	"	43,050
1963	"	25,000	"	17,100	"	42,100
1964	"	25,000	"	16,150	"	41,150
1965	"	25,000	"	15,200	"	40,200

**Operational Expenditures**

(Estimates furnished by Mrs. Palmer)

1961	\$50,000
1962	80,000
1963	90,000
1964	90,000
1965	90,000

**HIGHWAYS****Capital Expenditures**

\$30,000  
30,000  
30,000  
30,000  
30,000

1961  
1962  
1963  
1964  
1965

**Operational Expenditures**

\$55,000  
55,000  
55,000  
60,000  
60,000

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

1961 — Second and final stage of Map of the Town of Rowe for Assessors and other Town Departments — \$6,000.

**Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$10,000
1962	12,000
1963	12,000
1964	12,000
1965	12,000

**RECREATION**

1961 — Cost of Plans for the future development of Pelham Park

\$6,000

1963 — Start of the Development of Pelham Park

6,000

**Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$2,000
1962	2,000
1963	2,000
1964	4,000
1965	4,000

**LIBRARY**

1961 — Addition to Library Building — \$6,000

**Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$2,000
1962	2,000
1963	2,000
1964	2,000
1965	2,000

**WELFARE****Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$10,000
1962	10,000
1963	10,000
1964	10,000
1965	10,000

**HEALTH****Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$2,000
1962	2,500
1963	2,500
1964	2,500
1965	2,500

**CEMETERIES****Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$500
1962	500
1963	500
1964	500
1965	500

**PROTECTION**

1961 — New Tank Truck for Fire Department — \$8,000

**Operational Expenditures:**

1961	\$3,500
1962	4,000
1963	4,000
1964	4,000
1965	4,000



Department	Operational 1961		Capital Expenditures	Total, 1961		Operational 1962	Capital Expenditures	Total, 1962		Operational 1963	Capital Expenditures	Total, 1963		Operational, 1964	Capital Expenditures	Total, 1964		Operational, 1965	Capital Expenditures	Total, 1965	
Schools	50,000	44,000		94,000	80,000	43,050		123,050	90,000	42,1000		132,100	90,000	41,150		131,150	90,000	40,200		130,200	
Highways	55,000	30,000		85,000	55,000	30,000		85,000	55,000	30,000		85,000	60,000	30,000		90,000	60,000	30,000		90,000	
General Governm't	11,000	8,000		17,000	12,000			12,000	12,000			12,000	12,000			12,000	12,000			12,000	
Recreation	2,000	6,000		8,000	2,000			2,000	2,000	6,000		8,000	4,000			4,000	4,000			4,000	
Library	2,000	6,000		8,000	2,000			2,000	2,000			2,000	2,000			2,000	2,000			2,000	
Welfare	10,000			10,000	10,000			10,000	10,000			10,000	10,000			10,000	10,000			10,000	
Health	2,000			2,000	2,500			2,500	2,500			2,500	2,500			2,500	2,500			2,500	
Ceme- teries	500			500	500			500	500			500	500			500	500			500	
Protec- tion	3,500	8,000		11,500	4,000			4,000	4,000			4,000	4,000			4,000	4,000			4,000	
Totals	238,000			241,550			256,100			256,150			255,200								
Tax rates based on 11,000,000 assessed valuation	1961 21.50			1962 22.00			1963 23.30			1964 23.30			1965 23.00								

BUDGET FOR FIVE YEARS - 1961 - 1965

It will be noted that the total expenditures for each of the five years would at the most entail a tax rate of not over \$24.00 based on an \$11,000,000 assessed valuation. At a meeting of this Committee held on October 10, 1960 at which time six members were present, all agreed that a tax rate of \$25.00 was not too high.

It should be noted that the foregoing figures in most instances are estimates only as exact figures would not be possible. However, they should serve as a guide to the future expenditures to be made by the Town and also would help to maintain a fairly uniform tax rate.

**4. Consolidation of various public works projects such as maintenance of park grounds, also grounds around Town Hall, Library, Cemeteries, Town Dump, etc.**

This Committee believes that these projects could be done better and more efficiently if the officials having jurisdiction over them would make satisfactory arrangements with the Board of Selectmen to have these functions performed by the personnel of the Highway Department. The officials having jurisdiction would still have control, but would inform the Superintendent of Highways what they wished to have done and he would carry out their wishes. The Superintendent of Highways would require to be notified at the beginning of each fiscal year so that he could plan and schedule his work. It is to be understood that he may have to add more personnel to his crew to do the added work.

**5. Highway Program**

Your Committee considered the desirability of recommending a bond issue over a period of years to provide funds for the purpose of constructing several miles of roads at one time with the thought that the work would be let out by contract.

At one of our meetings, the Board of Selectmen and others attending gave very good reasons why this would not be the best method of solving our highway problems. The town has several roads that are almost impassable in the spring of the year when the frost is coming out of the ground. Considerable money has to be expended to try to keep these roads passable.

We recommend that an additional sum of \$30,000 be appropriated each year to be used to defray the cost of building new roads, where the need is most important.

It has been brought out that a serious condition exists at Monroe Hill from the Yankee plant to the bridge over the Deerfield River at Monroe Bridge. There is a question about who owns the right-of-way and also the terrain and drainage conditions will make it difficult to construct a satisfactory highway at this location. Your Committee feels that this problem should be studied by the Board of Selectmen and a determination made in regard to the right-of-way and the construction of a new road. Some of the members of this Committee have noted that street name signs are lacking on some of our roads. While this may seem like a minor matter, it would seem that it would not entail a large expense to have signs made and installed at appropriate locations.

#### **6. Park Development**

The Park Commission has given some consideration to the future use and development of Pelham Lake Park. Your Municipal Study Committee believes that the area should be more fully used by the citizens of Rowe and therefore suggest that a capable engineering firm of consultants be employed by the Town to lay out a plan for its future development and have therefore included an item of \$6,000 in the capital expenditures budget for the year 1961.

Also, we have included an item of \$6,000 for partial development of the park in the capital expenditures budget for 1963. This item could be increased depending upon the report of the consulting engineer and the wishes of the Park Commission and the voters of the town.

#### **7. Better and more use of the Library**

This Committee met with the Library Trustees to get their views on the use and adequacy of the present Library. Discussion was had in regard to having the library open more often, the lack of adequate reference books and the need for enlarging the present building. The new Elementary School in Rowe does not have its own Library and it is the belief of this Committee that more reference books are needed, also suitable tables and chairs. The Library should be open more hours with specific dates, especially during school session. To do this, the Library will have to be enlarged. We feel that this is very important to the education of our school children as well as to the adults of the Town and there-

fore have included an item of \$6,000 in the capital expenditures budget of the Library for 1961 so that the added facilities will be available when the new Elementary School is opened. This sum may be too much or not enough. This can be determined after getting estimates from competent sources.

#### **8. Study of salaries and wages of Town Employees**

Your Committee met with the Board of Selectmen to discuss the adequacy or inadequacy of the salaries and wages of the Town employees. It was felt that some of the Town Officials were serving at a low salary as a civic duty and that they did not expect to receive a salary commensurate with the duties performed. On the other hand, some of the Town Officials were not receiving sufficient salaries for the amount of time and effort that was required to do a satisfactory job.

The Highway Department is handicapped in the efficient operation of the Department due to the fact that it is in need of some equipment operators. This condition is critical during snow-removal operations when it becomes necessary for the men to work overtime. From the limited investigation made by some of the members of this Committee, it would seem that adjustments are needed in the wage scales of the Department personnel if that Department is to attract the type of men needed.

The functions performed by the Highway Department are one of the most important in the Town and the residents should look upon the employees as loyal, sincere and conscientious men. The responsibilities of the Superintendent of Streets are increasing and will continue to increase as the functions of the Department are expanded. We believe that more of his time should be spent in a supervisory capacity and less in the role of a machine operator and laborer. Accordingly, his salary should be adjusted to compensate for the added responsibilities.

Article III, Section 5 of the By-Laws of the Town of Rowe reads as follows: "The Board of Health shall maintain the public dump which shall be under the supervision of the Road Superintendent acting as agent for the Board of Health."

It is the belief of this Committee that the public dump has been an eye-sore and a menace to the health of the



inhabitants of Rowe. The dump is infested with rats and vermin that feed upon the garbage. It will be only a matter of time when the dump will be so close to Pelham Brook that it will be polluting the water in the brook.

There are more sanitary methods of disposing of refuse than in an open dump such as the Town now maintains. A competent sanitary engineer should be retained to make a study and report to the town on how best to handle this problem.

In the meantime, the method of the maintenance of the existing dump should be improved. It should be leveled off and covered with earth or sand more often. During the summer months, this should be done at least once a week. A schedule could be set up and the new Trojan loader sent to level off the material and the necessary cover material placed over the refuse as required. Until such time as other arrangements are made or a new location for a dump is obtained, a screen of some sort should be placed between the road and the dump area to hide it from persons passing along the road.

#### **9. Need for enforcement of Town By-Laws**

This subject was considered by your Committee with the Board of Selectmen. There seemed to be general agreement that the enforcement of the By-Laws was an important function of the Town Government and that the By-Laws could be better enforced than they have been in the past.

Your Study Committee recommends that the Board of Selectmen take the necessary steps to employ an agent or agents to enforce the By-Laws of the Town. Funds for the cost of this are provided for under the Department of General Government in the five year budget for operational expenditures submitted with this report.

#### **10. Consolidation of some of the Town Departments**

It has been brought out at some of our meetings that the official records pertaining to the functions of several of the Town Departments are not kept in the safe at the Town Hall and in most instances the records are kept in private homes and without adequate safeguards from fire. This is a very haphazard practice and steps should



be taken to correct this situation. It probably will be necessary to purchase or provide more fireproof facilities located in the Town Hall to provide sufficient space for all of the Town records. This brings attention to the desirability of the need of a full-time employee in the Town Hall. This employee would do the clerical work for the Selectmen and so far as legally permissible carry out the duties of other town officials, such as the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Board of Assessors, Moderator of Town Meetings, Park Commission, etc. These recommendations bring to our attention the need in the not too distant future of more adequate facilities to house the various Town Departments.

#### **11. Change of time of the Annual Town Meeting**

It has been suggested that it might be desirable to change the time of the Annual Town Meeting from 11:30 in the forenoon to 7:00 or 7:30 in the evening. The 10:00 a. m. dates back many years and was established when most of the residents were farmers who perhaps could take time off from their duties more easily at 11:30 o'clock. Conditions have changed and most of the residents are not in such circumstances that allow them to take most of the day away from their work to attend Town Meeting.

The following is a quotation from Bulletin "F" dated October, 1959 published by the Association of Town Finance Committees which is pertinent: "Everyone agrees that it is highly desirable and indeed important to obtain a large attendance at Town Meetings. Opinion seems to be that the longer the warrant, the greater the risk of sparse attendance and that if one or more adjourned meetings become necessary, interest falls off sharply, affording an opportunity for a persistent minority to continue in attendance and ultimately to achieve its desired end".

Perhaps if the time of the Annual Meeting was changed to an evening meeting and if the number of articles in the warrant was reduced, the attendance would be larger and the business to be conducted would be accomplished in one evening.

**12. Better Maps of the Town for use by Assessors and other Town Departments.**

This Committee recommended to the Board of Selectmen that the sum of \$6,750.00 be made available to defray the cost of Phase I of a mapping project. At a special Town Meeting, this sum was approved by the voters. Phase II of the project is to cost \$6,000.00 and this item is included under General Government of the Capital Expenditures Budget for the year 1961. We recommend that this sum of \$6,000.00 be included in the 1961 Budget.

**13. At a recent meeting of this Committee, the Board of Selectmen brought up the matter of hunting and the discharge of firearms in the Town.**

The following proposed By-Law was submitted:

"No person shall fire or discharge any firearm or explosive of any kind within the limits of any town-owned property, or on any private property except with the consent of the owner or legal occupant thereof; Provided, however, that this By-law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, nor to any law enforcement officer in the performance of duty. Any person violating this By-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each offense." Your Committee believes that such a By-law or one similar should be included in the warrant for the next Annual Town Meeting.

At this time, this Committee wishes to acknowledge the able and generous assistance and suggestions of the Town Officials and Citizens of Rowe.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter A. Bates, Chairman  
 Emma Blizzard, Secretary  
 Herbert A. Autio  
 Efford H. Pierce  
 Clifford W. Sibley  
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**SPECIMEN BALLOT**  
for  
**ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**  
Monday, February 6, 1961

**To Vote for a Person Mark a Cross X in the Square at Right of Name**

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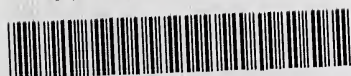






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